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〜若きバイア〜

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人間の生活の全てを捨てた

少年ダレン・シャンは

師匠のクレブスリーと共に

「シルクド・フランク」の団員に加わることに。

そこで二人の親友エブラ、サムと出会い

幸せな日々を送るはずが、

残酷な運命の歯車が動きだし、

恐るべき血の惨劇が幕を開ける——!!

戦慄のバイア・ダーク・ファンタジー

待望の単行本第2巻!!!!



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次巻予告

サムを失ってから一年。

ダレンたちが暮らす

シルク・ド・フリークに

意外な訪問者がやってきたことで

新たな運命が動き始める——！

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MESSAGE from
TAKAHIRO ARAI

なかなか見つからなかった
たまねぎのピクルスを
輸入食材の店で購入。
それはスライスされたものではなく、
予想に反して可愛らしい小たまねぎ。
一粒口にふくむと
すっぱいすっぱい風味が
口いっぱいに広がりました。

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A SUMMARY OF WHAT HAPPENED LAST VOLUME

When a young boy named Darren Shan, who had been leading a peaceful life thereto, sees a performance by a mysterious circus called "Cirque du Freak" with his best friend, Steve, his fate takes a dark turn.

In order to save Steve, who was bitten by a poisonous spider, he turns to the spider's owner, Crepsley, a vampire. However, the cost for his salvation was none other than giving himself to be a vampire! Thus, Darren abandons his peaceful life and begins his journey through the dark side as Crepsley's underling. What could await him at the end of this dark journey?!

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WHAT A
REFRESHING
NIGHT...



ARE YOU OKAY,
BOY?
ARE YOU LOST?



~OOH
~~ WE THE
15TH
NEWCASTLE
BRIGADE~~
~~HI-HO,
HI-HOO~~

Episode 5

The Lifestyle of a Vampire



NOW...

POOR
THING.
DON'T
WORRY. I'M
FROM THE
SCOUTS.



SHAKE

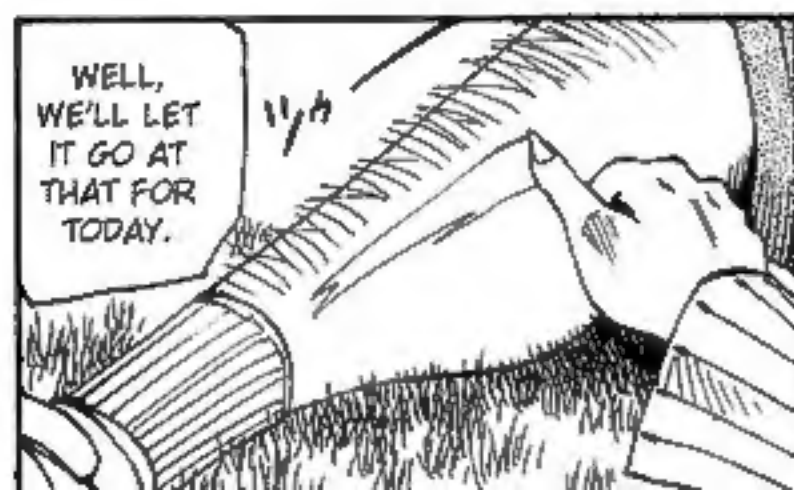
SHAKE



Episode 5

The Lifestyle of a Vampire







HEY,
DARREN.

I
WONDER
WHAT
KINDS OF
CLOTHES
ARE
POPULAR
THESE
DAYS.

I MAY BE
A HALF
VAMPIRE...



THESE
STAGE
CLOTHES
WOULD
STAND OUT
TOO MUCH.

HRM, THE
CITY IS
CLOSE.
SHALL WE
CHANGE?



BUT
SOMEDAY
YOU'LL
HAVE TO
BREAK.

YOU ARE
NO
LONGER
HUMAN.



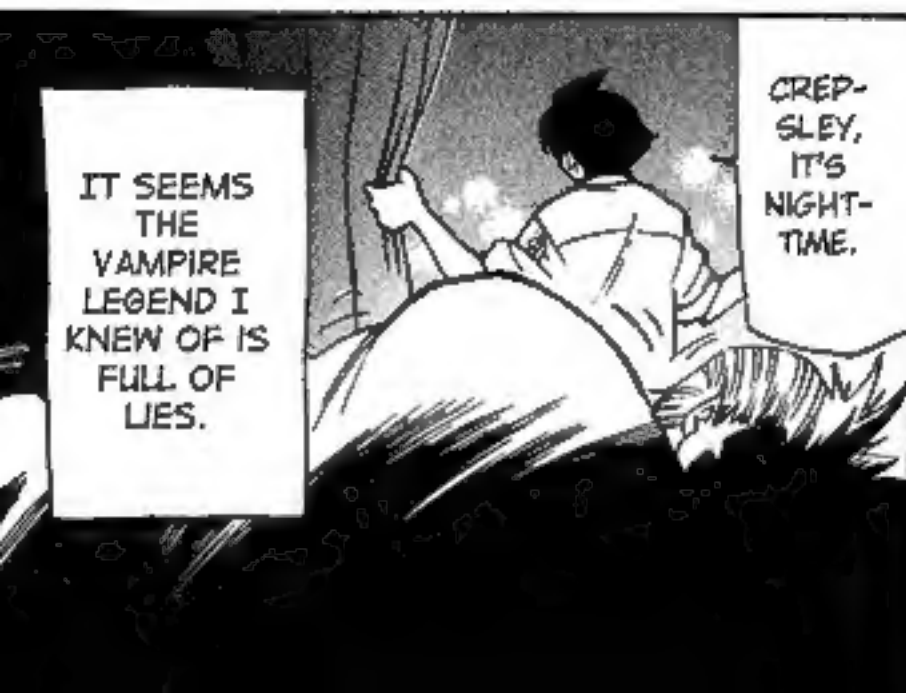
BUT HALF
OF ME...
IS STILL
HUMAN...

HEY,
WAIT!
DARREN!



I STILL CAN'T KEEP
UP WITH THE
TRANSFORMATIONS
IN MY BODY. MY
NAILS ARE SHARPER
THAN A BLADE.

WE'VE
TRAVELED
RATHER FAR.
IT'S BEEN
TWO MONTHS
SINCE I DIED...



IT SEEMS
THE
VAMPIRE
LEGEND I
KNEW OF IS
FULL OF
LIES.

CREP-
SLEY,
IT'S
NIGHT-
TIME.



BUT
CREPSLEY
MADE FUN
OF ME
BECAUSE MY
FANGS
HAVEN'T
GROWN IN
YET.



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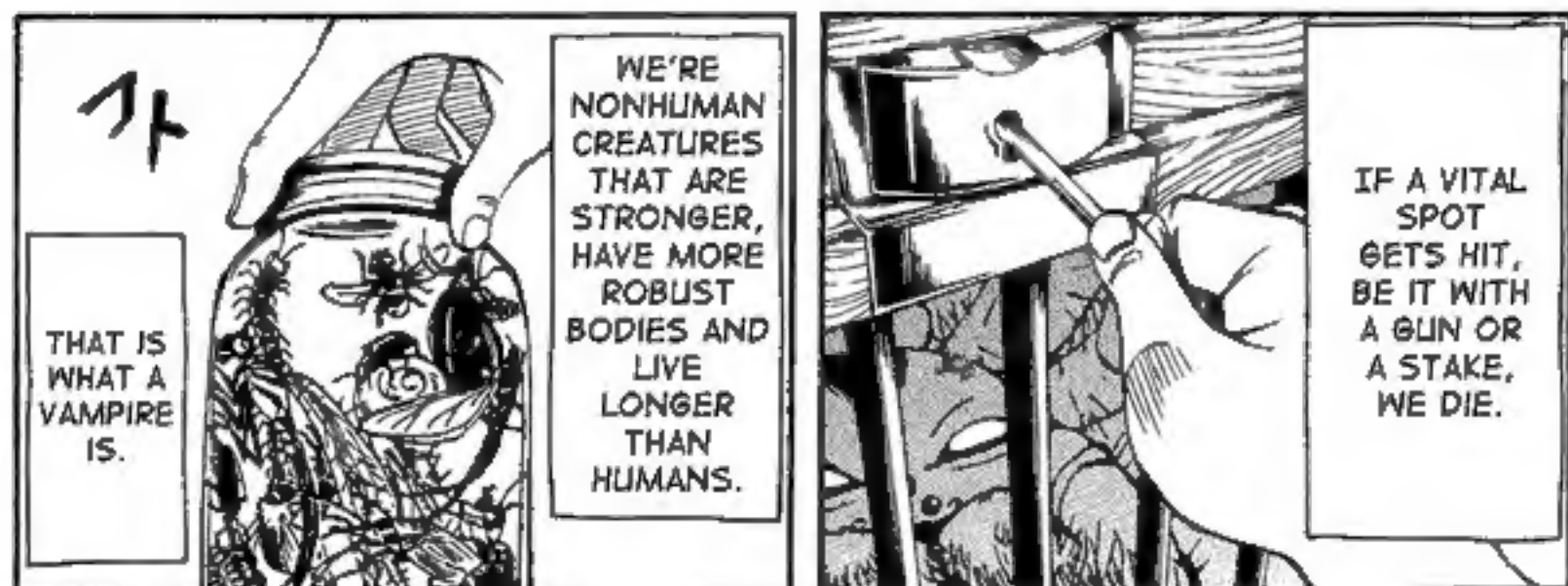




WE CAN
EAT GARLIC
JUST
FINE, AND
WE'RE
NOT
IMMORTAL.

NO WAY
I'M
DRINKING
...

VAMPIRES
AREN'T
SCARED
OF
CROSSES
OR HOLY
WATER.



THAT IS
WHAT A
VAMPIRE
IS.

WE'RE
NONHUMAN
CREATURES
THAT ARE
STRONGER,
HAVE MORE
ROBUST
BODIES AND
LIVE
LONGER
THAN
HUMANS.

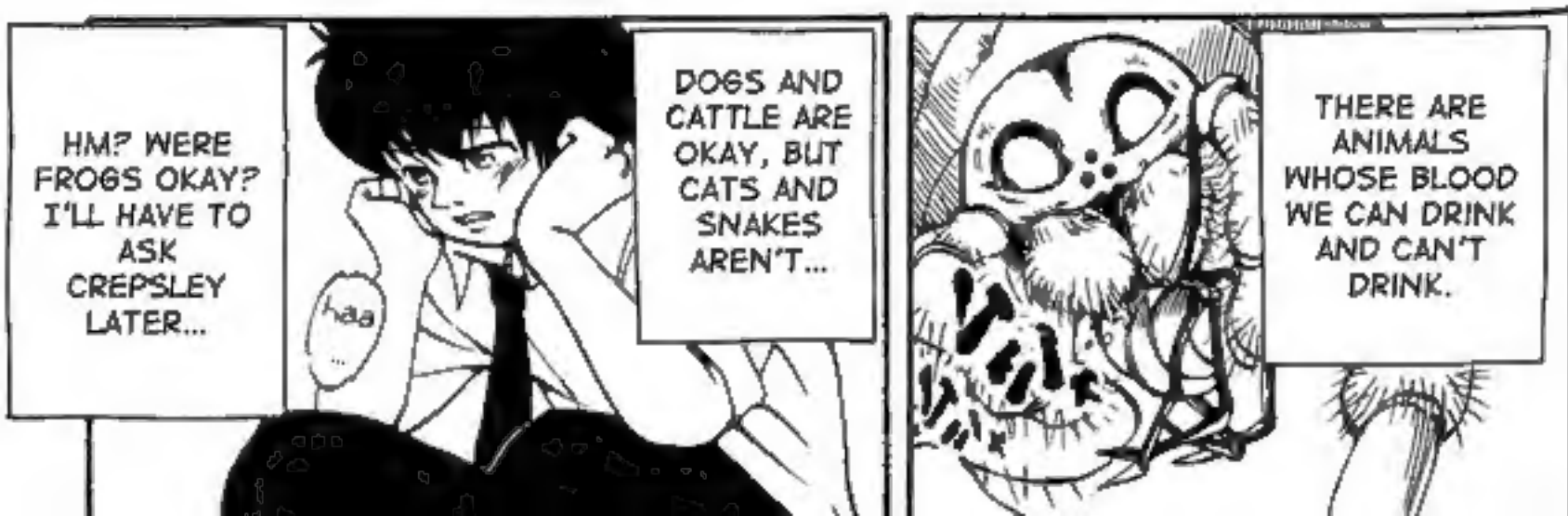
IF A VITAL
SPOT
GETS HIT,
BE IT WITH
A GUN OR
A STAKE,
WE DIE.



IF WE'RE IN
THE SUN,
WE DON'T
DIE RIGHT
AWAY, BUT
FOUR OR
FIVE HOURS
IS THE
LIMIT.

HOWEVER,
I'M NOT SAYING
THE LEGEND IS
ENTIRELY UNTRUE.
WE HAVE A
REFLECTION IN
MIRRORS AND WE
HAVE SHADOWS,

BUT WE
DON'T
SHOW UP IN
PICTURES
OR VIDEOS.



HM? WERE
FROGS OKAY?
I'LL HAVE TO
ASK
CREPSLEY
LATER...

DOGS AND
CATTLE ARE
OKAY, BUT
CATS AND
SNAKES
AREN'T...

THERE ARE
ANIMALS
WHOSE BLOOD
WE CAN DRINK
AND CAN'T
DRINK.



THE
CULPRIT
WHO
MADE ME
INTO A
HALF
VAMPIRE.

IN
TRUTH,
I HATE
CREPS-
LEY



I COULD STAB
HIM WITH A
STAKE AS HE
SLEEPS AND
OPEN THE
CURTAINS.

I COULD
DO IT IF I
TRIED



IN ANY
CASE,
THERE'S A
LOT OF
STUFF I
HAVE TO
REMEMBER

THERE'S
NO WAY A
HALF
VAMPIRE
WHO
DOESN'T
KNOW
ANYTHING
ABOUT
HIMSELF
CAN
SURVIVE



A HALF
VAMPIRE THAT
LACKS THE
KNOWLEDGE
NECESSARY
TO LIVE ..

BUT AS
I AM NOW,
I CAN'T
SURVIVE
WITHOUT
CREPSLEY



IF I STAY
SHUT UP IN
MY ROOM
I'LL LOSE IT

THAT'S
IT!
I'LL GO
TO
TOWN!



I'LL GO
TO
TOWN!!

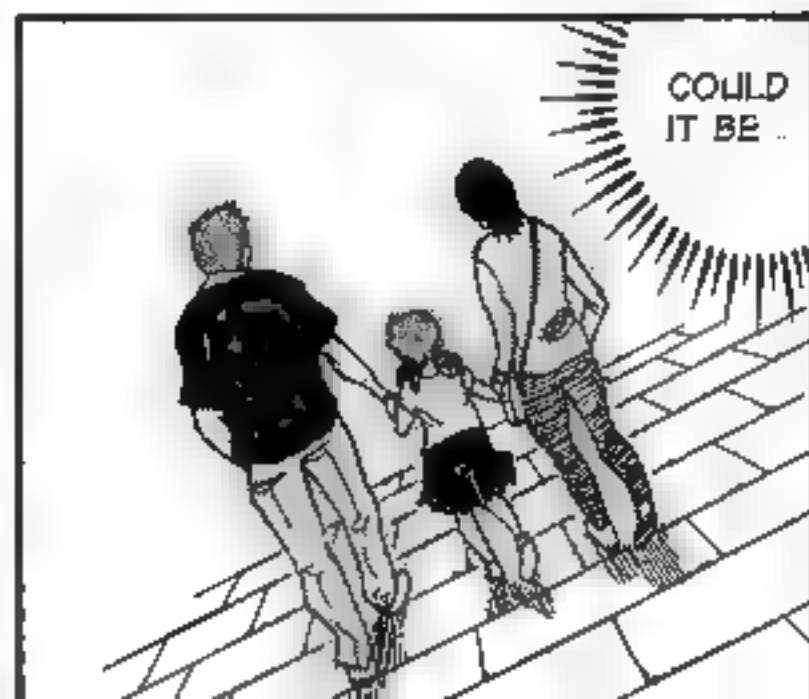
SHUT

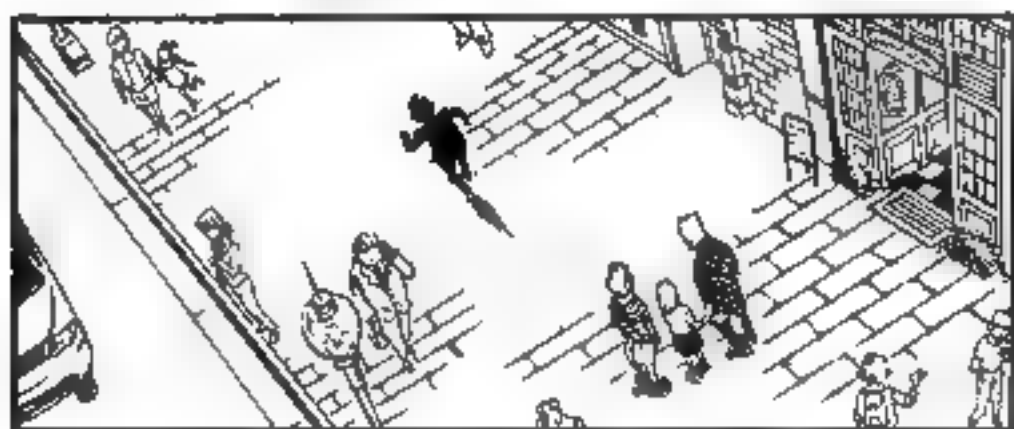
I want
out for
a bit



THERE'S
NO
NEED
TO
AVOID
THE
SUN!

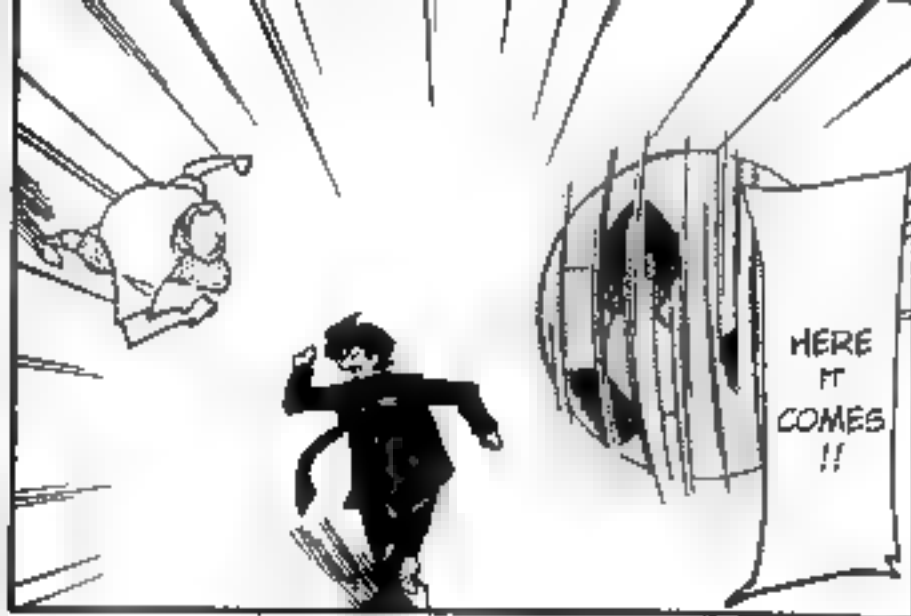
BUT
THERE
ARE GOOD
THINGS
ABOUT
BEING A
HALF
VAMPIRE

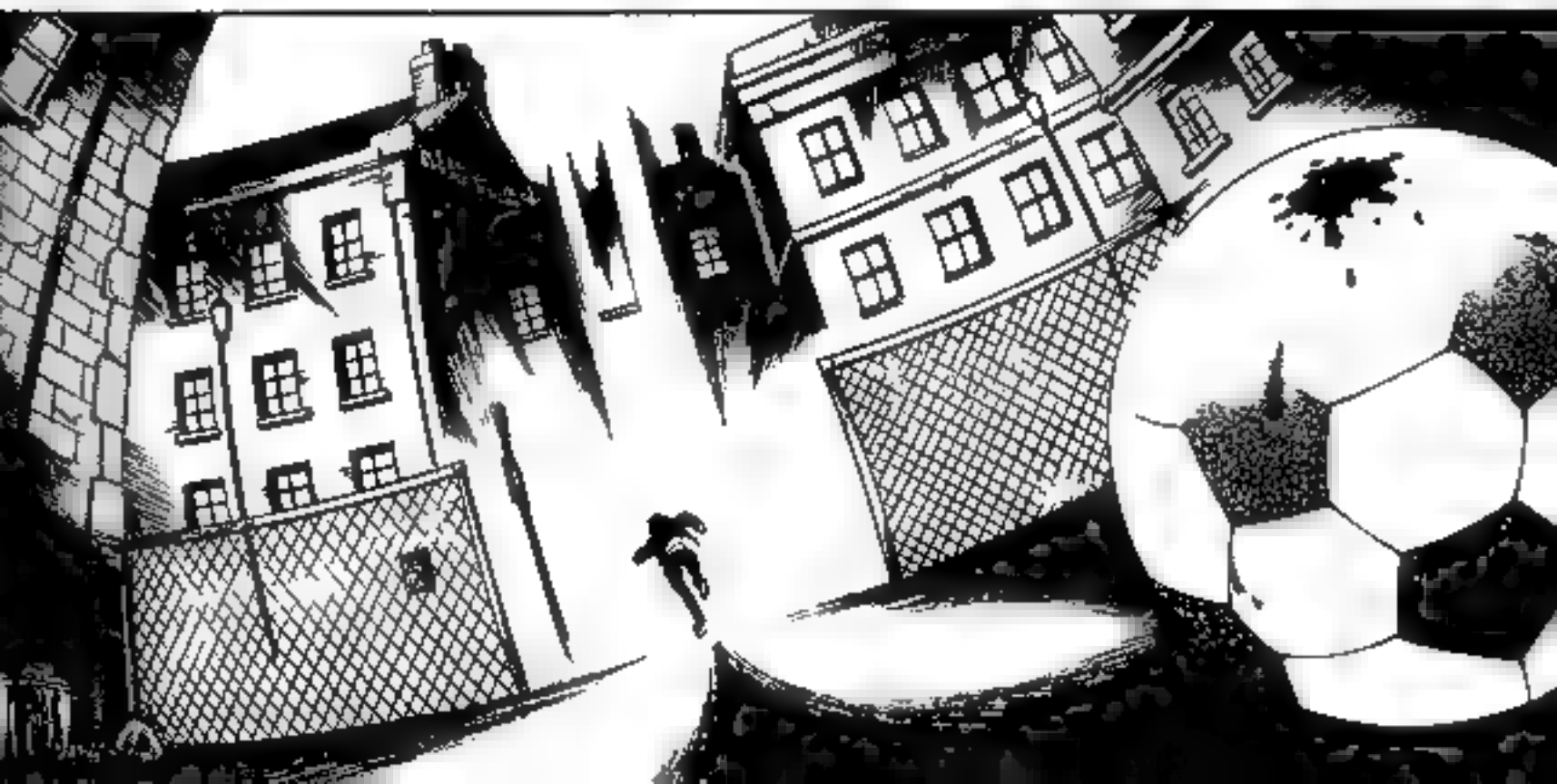


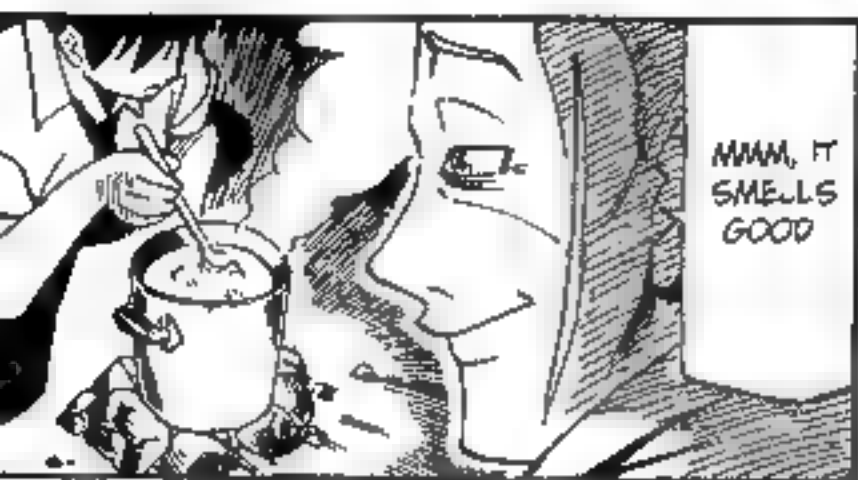












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IT'LL BE
OKAY IF
YOU'RE
MORE
CAREFUL
NEXT TIME,
RIGHT?

.. THAT'S
SOMETHING
YOU JUST
HAVE TO
GET USED
TO..



I SEE .
SO THAT'S
WHAT
HAPPENED



I CAN'T
MAKE
FRIENDS
ANYMORE..
EVEN IF I
DID THEY
WOULDN'T
BE REAL
FRIENDS.

NO,
I CAN'T
I'M TOO
DANGEROUS
NOW...



IT'S NOT
LIKE I CAN
JUST TELL
THEM,
"ACTUALLY,
I'M A
VAMPIRE."
!!!

TRUE
FRIENDS
DON'T HIDE
ANYTHING
FROM EACH
OTHER!

WHY
NOT?



WELL,
WHEN
YOU'RE AN
ADULT
YOU
MIGHT
NOT THINK
MUCH OF
FRIENDS
..

SINCE YOU'RE
BUSY WITH A
LOT OF THINGS
AND HAVE A
LOT OF
PROBLEMS...



IS IT
REALLY
THAT BIG
OF A
DEAL?!

COME NOW,
THAT'S A
PROBLEM ALL
VAMPIRES
HAVE TO DEAL
WITH!!





THAT'S IT,
THERE'S NO
REASON FOR
YOU TO BE
WITH ME
AROUND THE
CLOCK!

HAHA,
WHY
DIDN'T I
THINK
OF THIS
BEFORE
?

WHAT'S
WRONG?



COME,
DARREN.
FOR THE
TIME
BEING ..

WELL, BY
FRIENDS I DON'T
MEAN MERE
HUMANS THEY'LL
BE BEINGS WHO
POSSESS
SPECIAL ABILITIES
LIKE US!



HUH
?

DARREN!
I MAY BE
ABLE TO
FIND YOU
SOME
FRIENDS!!



BUT YOU
WERE
JUST
SAYING
THAT I
CAN'T
HAVE
FRIENDS
..



WE SHALL
RETURN TO
CIRQUE DU FREAK
AND JOIN THEM
ANEW.



CHAPTER 6:
TO CIRQUE DU FREAK

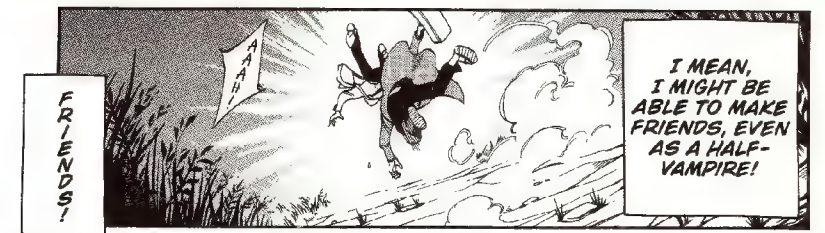




AT MR. CREPSLEY'S SUGGESTION, WE HEADED TO THE CIRQUE DU FREAK.

I HAVEN'T BEEN THIS EXCITED IN MONTHS.

GYUUU (ZOOOON)



I MEAN, I MIGHT BE ABLE TO MAKE FRIENDS, EVEN AS A HALF-VAMPIRE!

FRIENDS!



OUT OF FUEL ALREADY?



COME ON! WE'RE ALMOST THERE, OLD MAN!

FLITTING IS EXTREMELY TIRING WORK...

I NEED THAT EXTRA BOTTLE OF BLOOD!



ONE FOR YOU, DARREN?

AH, THAT IS REVITALIZING!

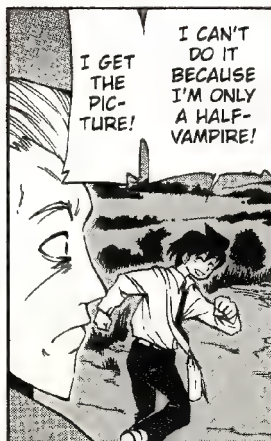
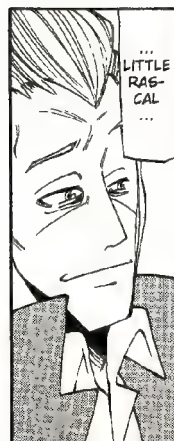
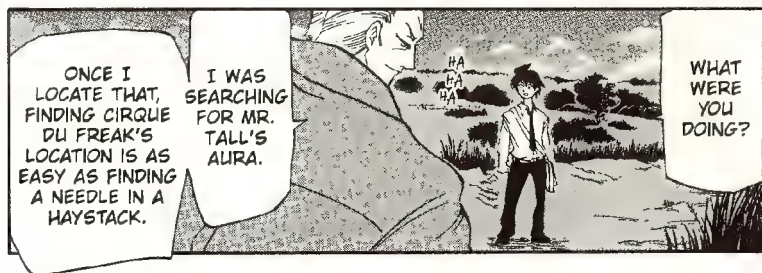
NO THANK YOU!

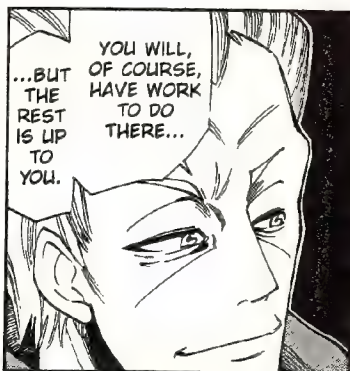
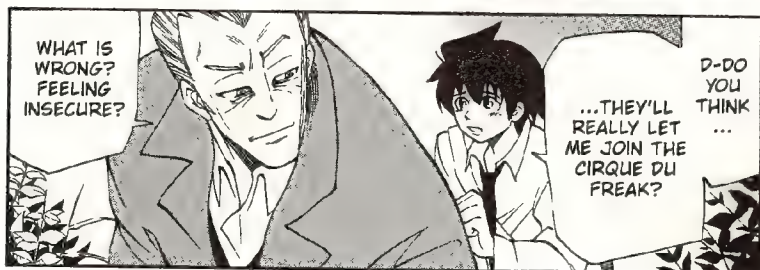
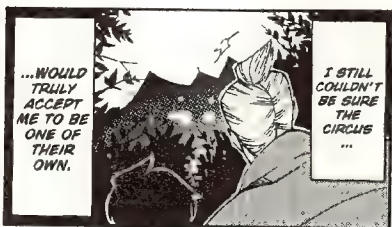
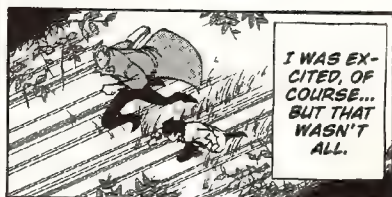


I OUGHT TO GIVE YOU A SMACK ON THE EARS!

WELL, LOOK WHO IS LIVELY...

AND A KICK IN THE PANTS FOR GOOD MEASURE.







OH,
T'S
YOU.



AHH



I THOUGHT
I FELT YOU
SEARCHING
FOR ME...

...
LARTEN
CREPS-
LEY.

I SEE
YOU'VE
BROUGHT
THE BOY.

WHAT IS
IT ONE IS
SUPPOSED
TO SAY
TO YOU
VAMPIRES?

OF
COURSE.

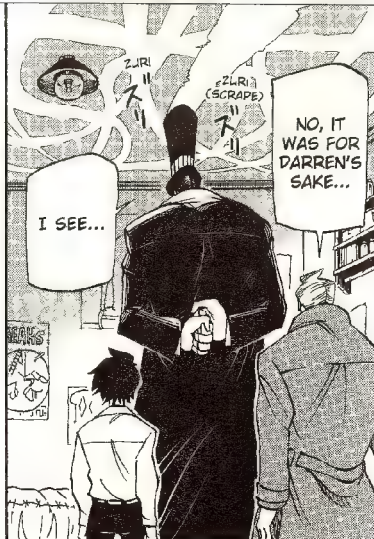
MAY
WE
COME
IN?

SOME-
THING
LIKE
THAT.

ENTER
OF
YOUR
OWN
FREE
WILL...

...
WAS
IT?

SFX: NIYA (SMIRK)



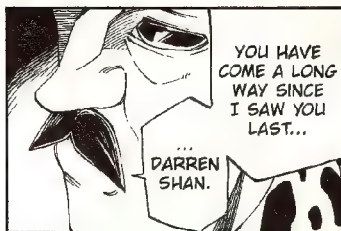
A SWIFT RETURN HAD NOT BEEN ON THE AGENDA, HIBERNIUS.

I DIDN'T EXPECT TO SEE YOU BACK SO SOON...

... LAR-TEN.

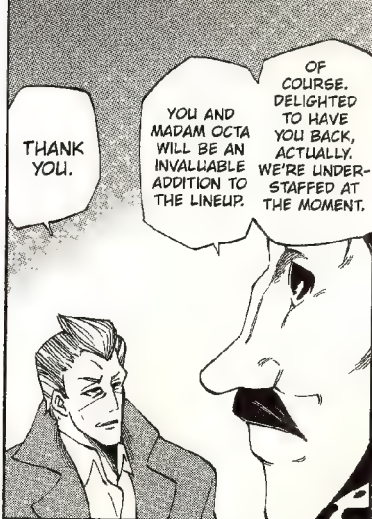
DID YOU RUN INTO TROUBLE?

HIBERNIUS? HIBERNIUS TALL? THAT'S A WEIRD NAME...





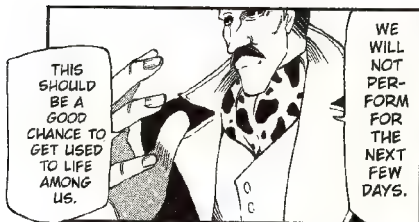
YOU
ARE LESS
VALUABLE
BUT WELCOME
ALL THE
SAME.



THANK
YOU.

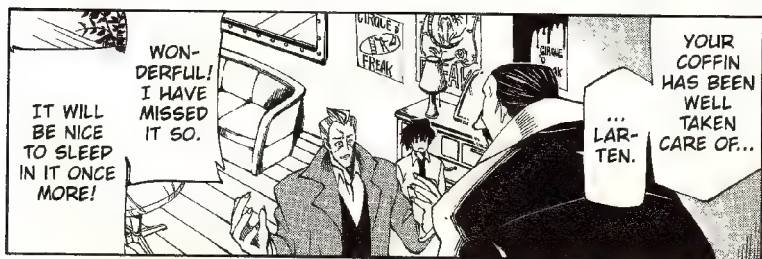
YOU AND
MADAM OCTA
WILL BE AN
INVALUABLE
ADDITION TO
THE LINEUP.

OF
COURSE.
DELIGHTED
TO HAVE
YOU BACK,
ACTUALLY.
WE'RE UNDER-
STAFFED AT
THE MOMENT.



THIS
SHOULD
BE A
GOOD
CHANCE TO
GET USED
TO LIFE
AMONG
US.

WE
WILL
NOT
PER-
FORM
FOR THE
NEXT
FEW
DAYS.



IT WILL
BE NICE
TO SLEEP
IN IT ONCE
MORE!

WON-
DERFUL!
I HAVE
MISSED
IT SO.

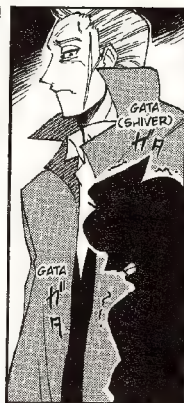
...
LAR-
TEN.

YOUR
COFFIN
HAS BEEN
WELL
TAKEN
CARE OF...



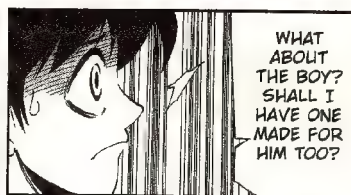
EVRA
WOULD
BE
PERFECT
...

PUT DARREN
IN WITH ONE
OF THE OTHER
PERFORMERS.
SOMEBODY HIS
OWN AGE, IF
POSSIBLE.



GATA
(G-HIVER)
H H

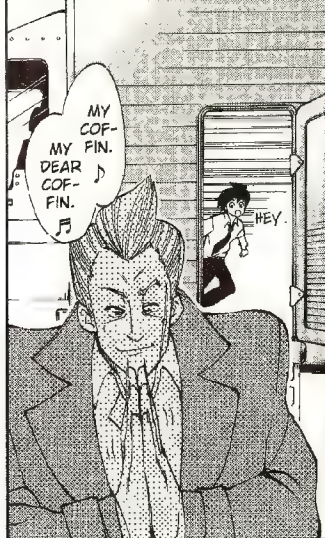
GATA
H H



WHAT
ABOUT
THE BOY?
SHALL I
HAVE ONE
MADE FOR
HIM TOO?



DON'T
EVEN THINK
ABOUT IT!
YOU WON'T
GET ME
IN ONE OF
THOSE
AGAIN!



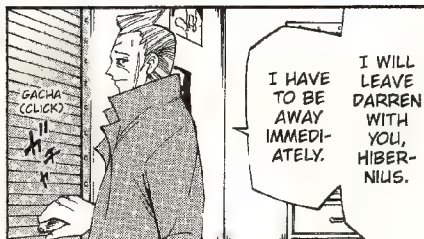
MY
COF-
FIN. ♪
MY
DEAR
COF-
FIN. ♪

HEY.



YOU
WILL
FIND
OUT.

WHO'S
EVRA?



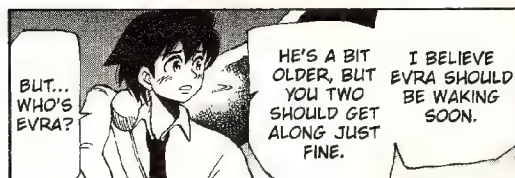
GACHA
(CLICK)

I HAVE
TO BE
AWAY
IMMEDI-
ATELY.

I WILL
LEAVE
DARREN
WITH
YOU,
HIBER-
NIUS.



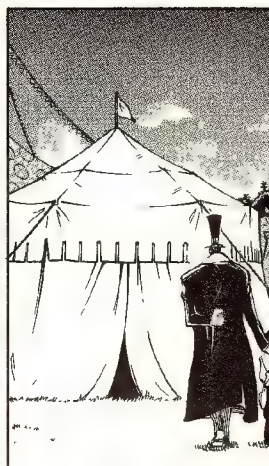
SHALL WE
BE GOING,
THEN...?



BUT...
WHO'S
EVRA?

HE'S A BIT
OLDER, BUT
YOU TWO
SHOULD GET
ALONG JUST
FINE.

I BELIEVE
EVRA SHOULD
BE WAKING
SOON.





WHAT AM I
TOUCHING?

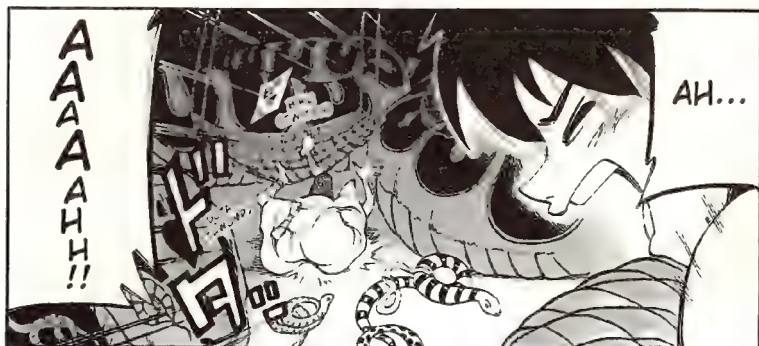
SHURU
(SLIDE)



UH,
EXCUSE
ME...



IT'S
PITCH
BLACK...



AAAAHH!!

AH...



HEY,
IT'S
YOU!



...H-HEY,
IS THIS A
SNAKE? SNAKE!!!

S-
SORRY,
I D-
DIDN'T
MEAN
TO...

JI
(STARE)

11" BATA

J1'A
(SQUIRM)

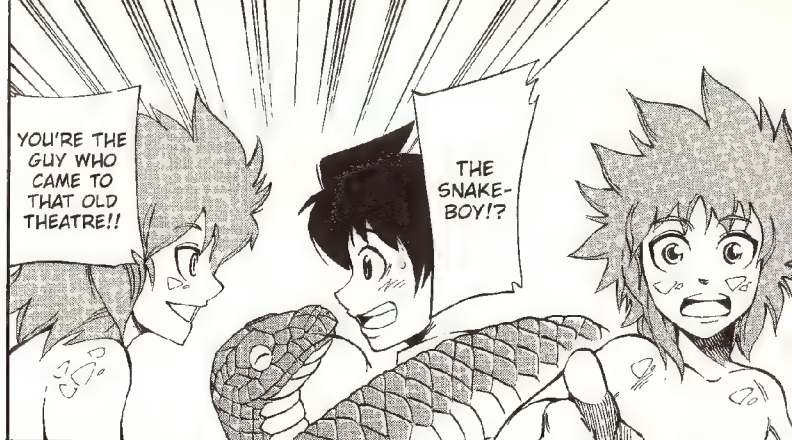


WHAT
IS
GOING
ON!?

WHAT
IS
IT!?

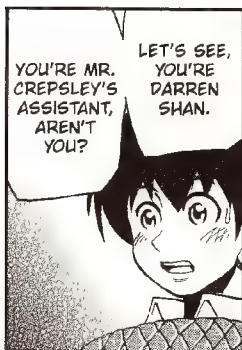
BATA
(FLOP)

11" BATA



YOU'RE THE
GUY WHO
CAME TO
THAT OLD
THEATRE!!

THE
SNAKE-
BOY!?



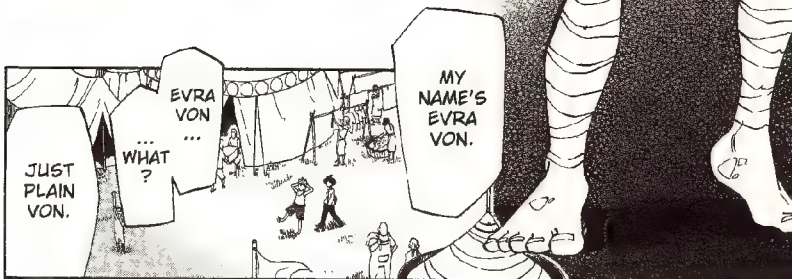
YOU'RE MR.
CREPSLEY'S
ASSISTANT,
AREN'T
YOU?

LET'S SEE,
YOU'RE
DARREN
SHAN.



IT'S QUITE
UNCOMMON
FOR KIDS TO
COME SEE
THE SHOW.

HUH?
YOU RE-
MEMBER
ME?



JUST
PLAIN
VON.

...
WHAT?
...

EVRA
VON

MY
NAME'S
EVRA
VON.



HOW
ARE
YA?

GAYA

GAYA (HUSTLE)

HIYA!

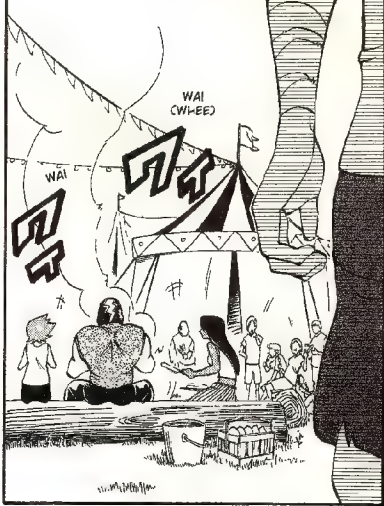
MORNIN',
EVRA!



HOW ARE YOU, HANS?

IT'S HANS HANDS!

GOOD MORNING, EVRA VON.

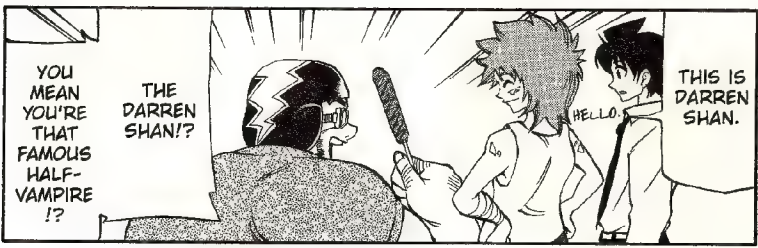


WAI (WHEE)

WAI



WHO'S YOUR YOUNG FRIEND?

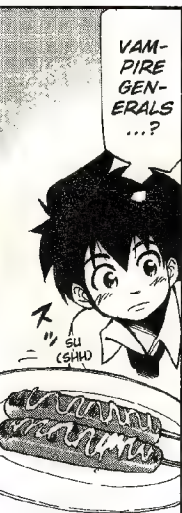


YOU MEAN YOU'RE THAT FAMOUS HALF-VAMPIRE !?

THE DARREN SHAN!?

HELLO.

THIS IS DARREN SHAN.



VAMPIRE GENERALS ...?



SORRY! I'M SAYIN' THINGS I SHOULDN'T ...

HANS! DO YOU THINK LARTEN WOULD ENJOY HEARING YOU SPREAD TALES?

WHOOOPS!

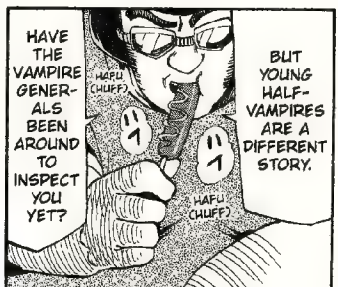
LET HIM EXPLAIN!



NAH, HALF-VAMPIRES ARE NOTHING NEW!

BA HA HA HA!

ARE HALF-VAMPIRES REALLY THAT UNUSUAL?

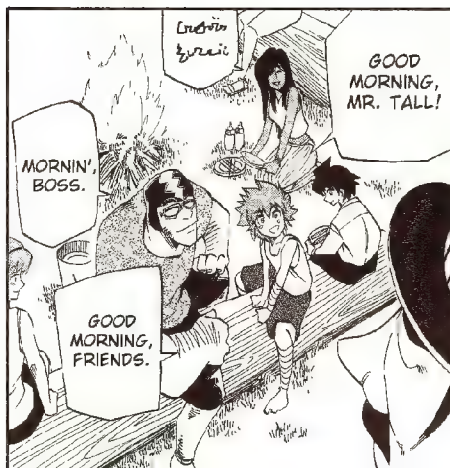
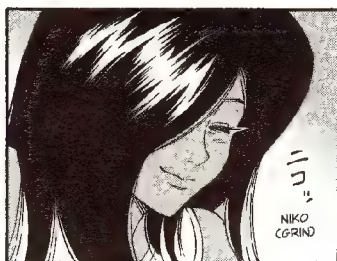
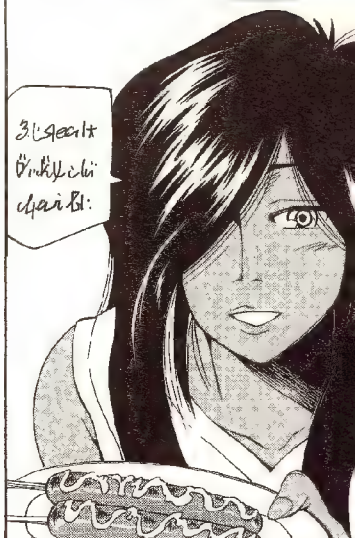
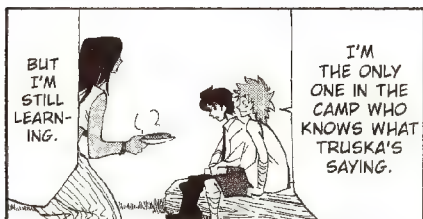
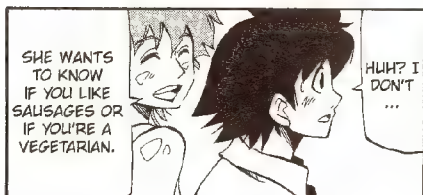


HAVE THE VAMPIRE GENERALS BEEN AROUND TO INSPECT YOU YET?

HAFU (CHUFF)

HAFU (CHUFF)

BUT YOUNG HALF-VAMPIRES ARE A DIFFERENT STORY.



FOR THE
MOMENT,
STICK WITH
EVRA AND
HELP HIM
WITH HIS
CHORES.

...WE DON'T
YET KNOW
WHAT YOU
ARE SUITED
TO DO.

PERA
(CLIP)

PERA

BY
THE WAY,
MASTER
SHAN—
ON THE
SUBJECT
OF TODAY'S
WORK...

EVRA
WILL BE IN
CHARGE OF
YOU UNTIL
FURTHER
NOTICE. DO
WHAT HE
SAYS.

PATAN
(THUMP)

11/7-1

VERY
WELL!
IT'S
SETTLED!

I'D LIKE
THAT.

NOT
AT
ALL!

YOU
DON'T
MIND,
EVRA?

NIKO
(GRIND)

MY
PLEA-
SURE
...

TH-
THANK
YOU, MR.
TALL!

WELL,
DARREN...

...
PART-
NER.

I FEEL
GOOD
...

HOW
DO YOU
FEEL
ABOUT
THAT?

...
LOOKS
LIKE
YOU
AND
I ARE
PART-
NERS
NOW!

THAT'S
THE
SPIRIT!

WELL
MET,
DARREN.

GOOD
TO SEE
YOU,
DAR-
REN!

NICE
TO
MEET
YOU!

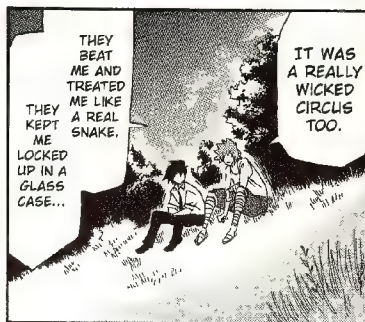
YEOW!
THAT'S
HOT!

HAFLU
COHOMP



SEE, DARREN, EVERYONE ELSE HERE IS LIKE YOU. WE'VE ALL GOT A STORY.

FINALLY, ONE DAY MR. TALL CAME TO THE RESCUE.



THEY BEAT ME AND TREATED ME LIKE A REAL SNAKE. THEY KEPT ME LOCKED UP IN A GLASS CASE...

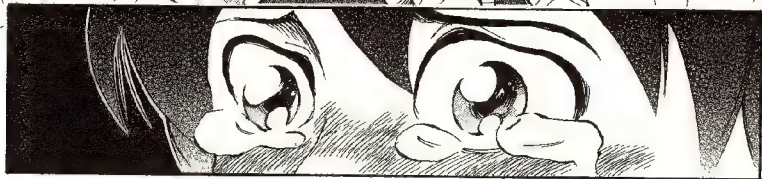
IT WAS A REALLY WICKED CIRCUS TOO.

THE FIRST THING I KNEW, I WAS IN A CIRCUS.

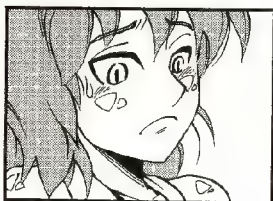
I'VE NEVER SEEN MY REAL PARENTS.



THERE'S
NOTHING
YOU NEED
TO WORRY
ABOUT
ANYMORE!

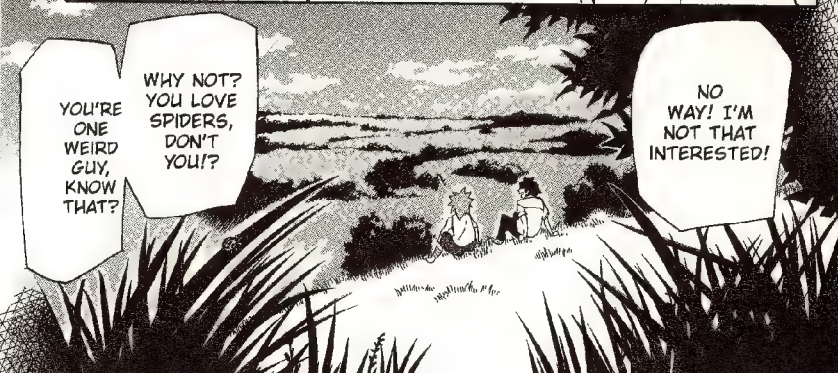
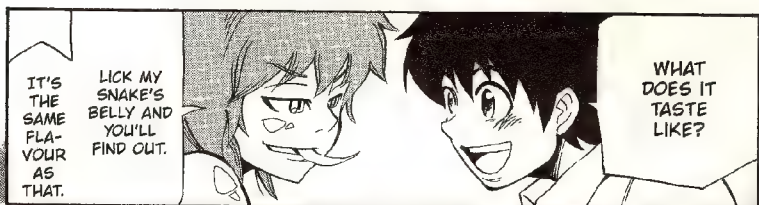
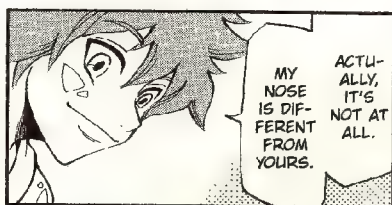


DO YOU
WANT
TO SEE
SOME-
THING
AMAZ-
ING?



WHOA,
HEY! DID
I SAY
SOME-
THING
WRONG?

SNIFF...
SNIFF.



WHAT
WERE YOU
DOING ALL
DAY, WHILE
I SLEPT?

WHY ARE
YOU SO
CHEERFUL?

WELL
...



HELLO
THERE,
DARREN.

RISE
AND
SHINE,
MR.
CREPS-
LEY.

...I MADE
A FRIEND.

CHAPTER 7:

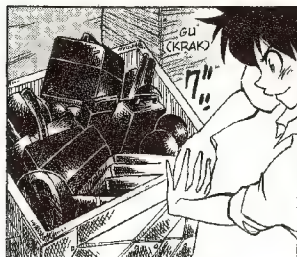
FRIEND NUMBER TWO



I FEEL
LIKE I'VE
BEEN
PART
OF THE
GROUP
FOR
YEARS.

I'VE
COM-
PLETELY
BLENDED
IN WITH
EVERY-
DAY LIFE
HERE.

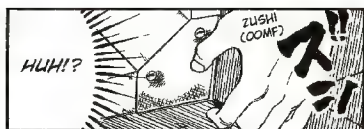
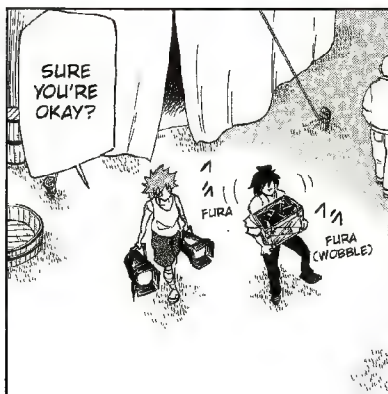
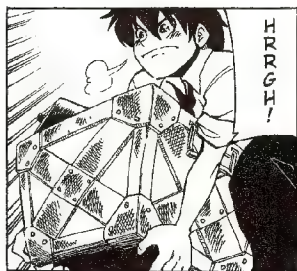
TODAY IS
THE THIRD
DAY SINCE
I CAME
TO THE
CIRQUE.



GOT
IT!

YOU GRAB
THAT ONE,
DARREN!

AND
IT'S ALL
THANKS
TO EVRA.



FURA

BUT I
DON'T
CARE
AT ALL
...

I CAN
FEEL MY
BODY
WEAKEN-
ING BY
THE DAY.

HALF OF
MY VERY
BEING IS
SCREAMING
OUT FOR
THE LIFE-
BEARING
LIQUID.

I'M WEAK
BECAUSE
I WON'T
DRINK
HUMAN
BLOOD.

I'D
RATHER
LOSE
STRENGTH
THAN
DRINK

...
FROM A
HUMAN.
...

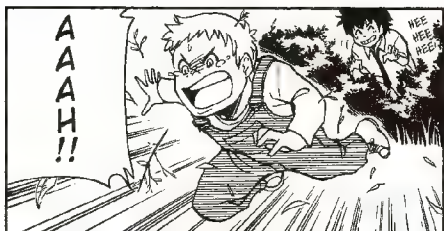
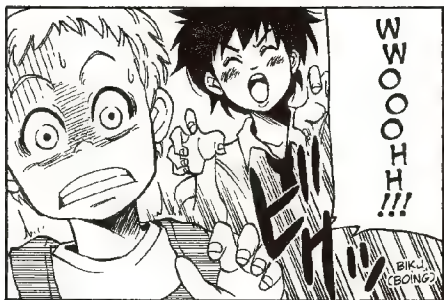
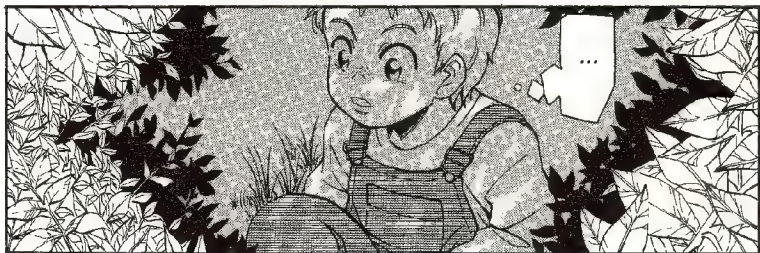
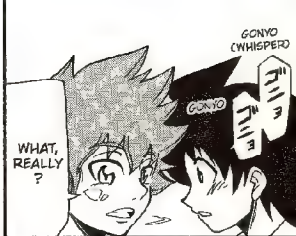


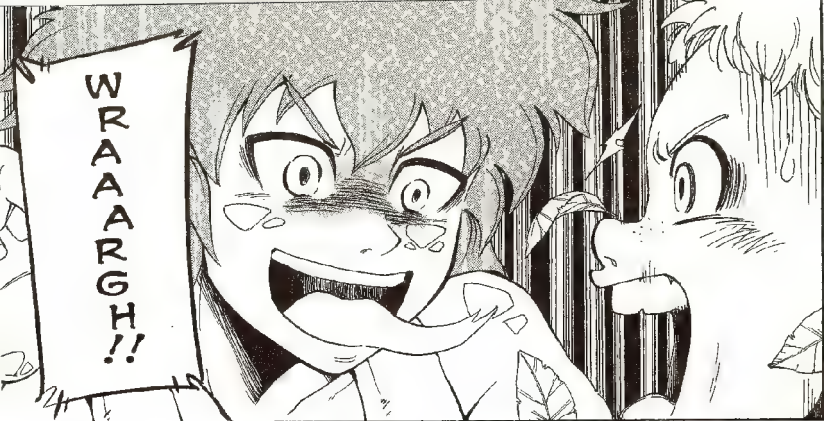
SFX: BIKU (TWITCH)

HMM?

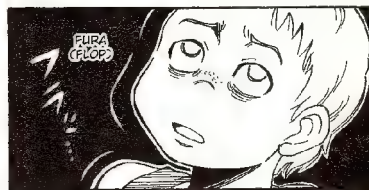
HEY,
EVRA...



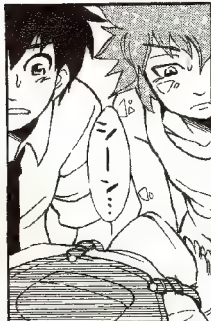




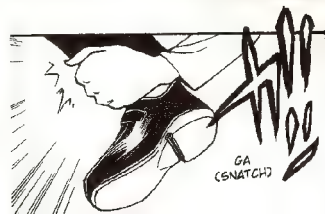
SFX: CHIRO (FLICK) CHIRO



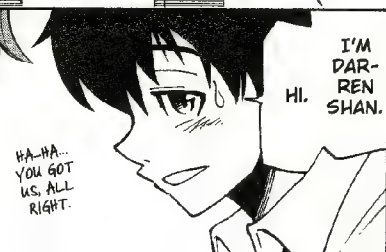
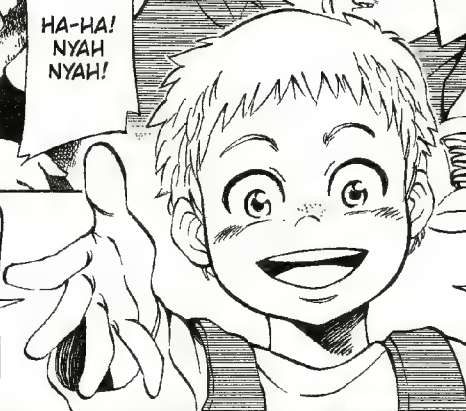
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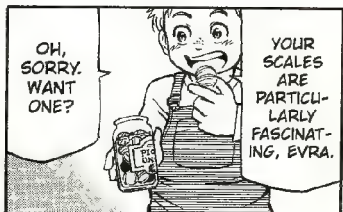


SFX: SHIIN (SHHH)

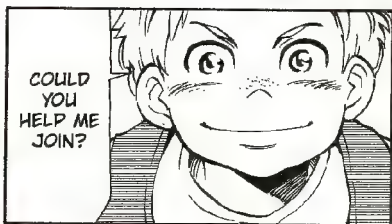


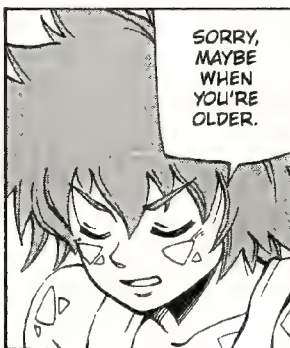
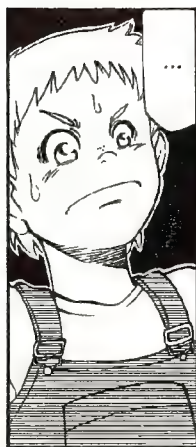
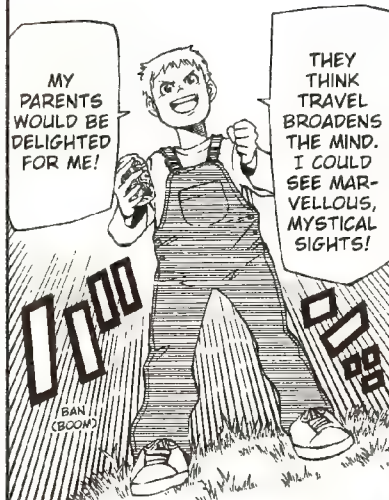
(SNATCH)





SFX: PORI (MUNCH) PORI





WE HAVE
UNLIMITED
POSSIBILI-
TIES!

WE
SHOULD
BE FREE
TO DO
WHAT WE
WANT!

ENOUGH,
SAM!

O KAY!

WE'RE
NOT
MEANT
TO BE
SLAVES!
WE'RE
-!

DO YOU
WANT
TO COME
SEE MY
SNAKE?

...

DOES
THAT MEAN
KIDS AREN'T
ALLOWED TO DO
ANYTHING?

PEOPLE
ALWAYS
SAY "WHEN
YOU'RE
OLDER"!

IT'S
NOT
FAIR!

KIDS ARE
ALWAYS
FORCED TO
FOLLOW
ADULTS'
ORDERS!

BUWA
(RAAGH)

WE
HAVE
DESIRES
AND
GOALS!

WE
HAVE
WILLS
OF OUR
OWN!

PAA
(GLOW)

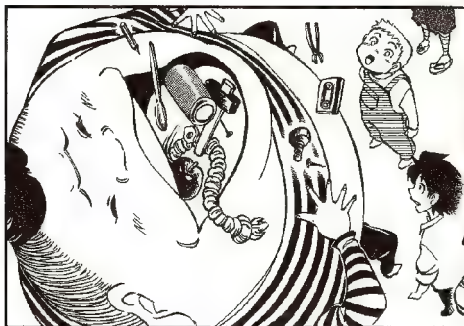
TA
(CTMP)

I
THOUGHT
YOU'D
NEVER
ASK!

DO I?
ARE YOU
KIDDING?

C'MON,
LET'S
GO!
HURRY!

HA
HA..



ANY-
THING,
HUH...



...TO
KEEP
MADAM
OCTA FOR
A PET!

I'D DO
ANY-
THING
...



I'D DO
ANY-
THING
TO BE
IN YOUR
PLACE!

MAN, THIS
IS THE
GREATEST!
YOU GUYS
ARE SO
LUCKY!



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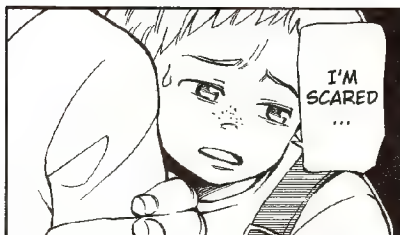
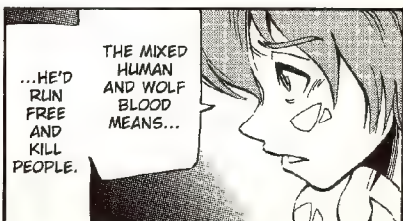
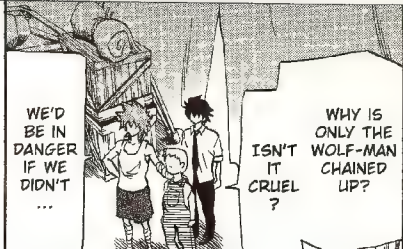
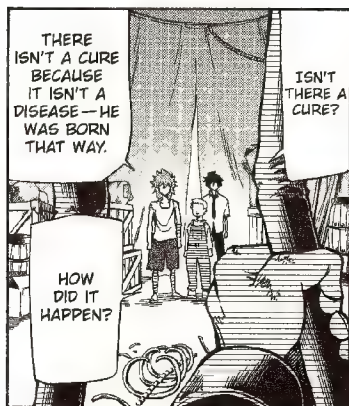
INSIDE
HERE
IS THE
WOLF-
MAN'S
TENT.



UGH,
WHAT A
SMELL...



WHAT'S
WRONG?
DON'T YOU
WANT A
CLOSER
LOOK?





DON'T
YOU
THINK?

YOU
OUGHT TO
BE GETTING
BACK HOME
SOON.

IT'S
GETTING
DARK,
SAM.

POSITIVE.
I PROMISE!

YOU'RE SURE
THE CIRQUE
WON'T HAVE
MOVED AWAY
BY THEN?



DO YOU
WANT
TO COME
OVER IN
THE AFTER-
NOON AND
HANG OUT
WITH US?

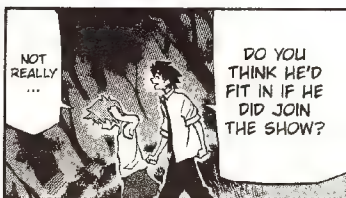
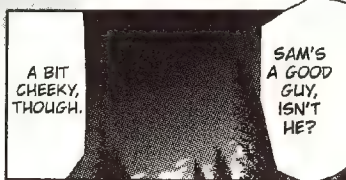
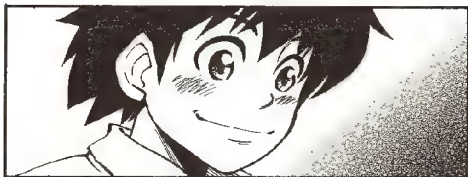
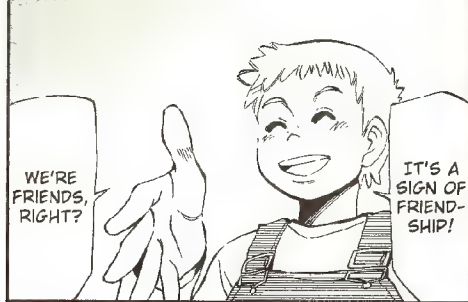
WHAT
ABOUT
TOMOR-
ROW?

NOT A
PROB-
LEM.

THANKS
FOR
SHOW-
ING ME
AROUND,
EVRA!

IT'S A
PROM-
ISE!

OKAY,
TOMOR-
ROW
AFTER-
NOON
IT IS,
THEN!



THIS
PLACE
ISN'T ALL
JUST
FUN AND
GAMES.

REMEM-
BER
WHAT
MR.
TALL
SAID?

JUST
DON'T
SPOIL
HIM,
OKAY?

I
MEAN,
NOT
THAT I
KNOW
EVERY-
THING!

FRIENDS
...

GYU
(SQUEEZE)

THAT'S
FRIEND
NUMBER
TWO!

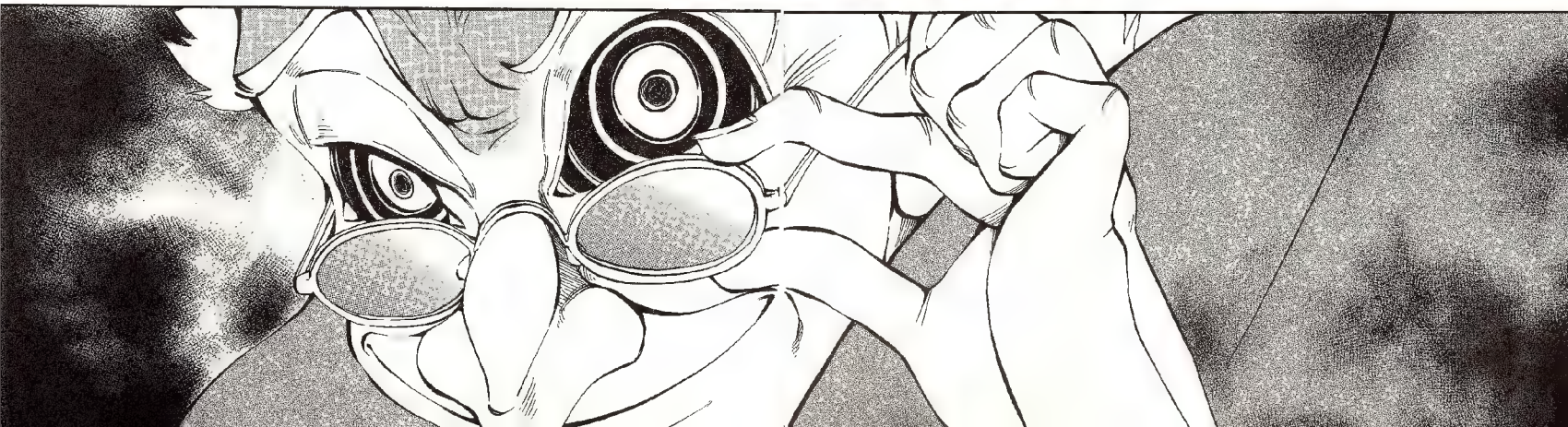
WE'RE
FRIENDS,
RIGHT?

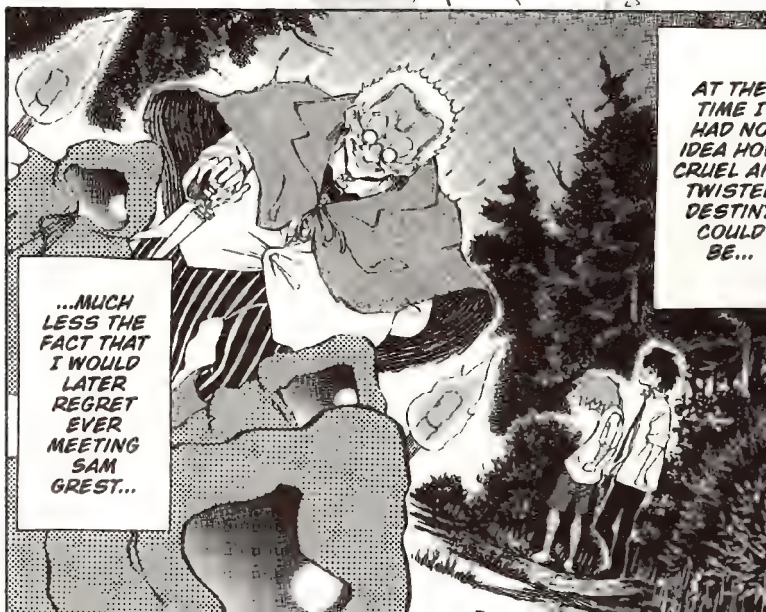
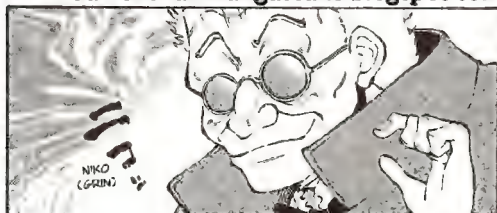
EVRA
...?

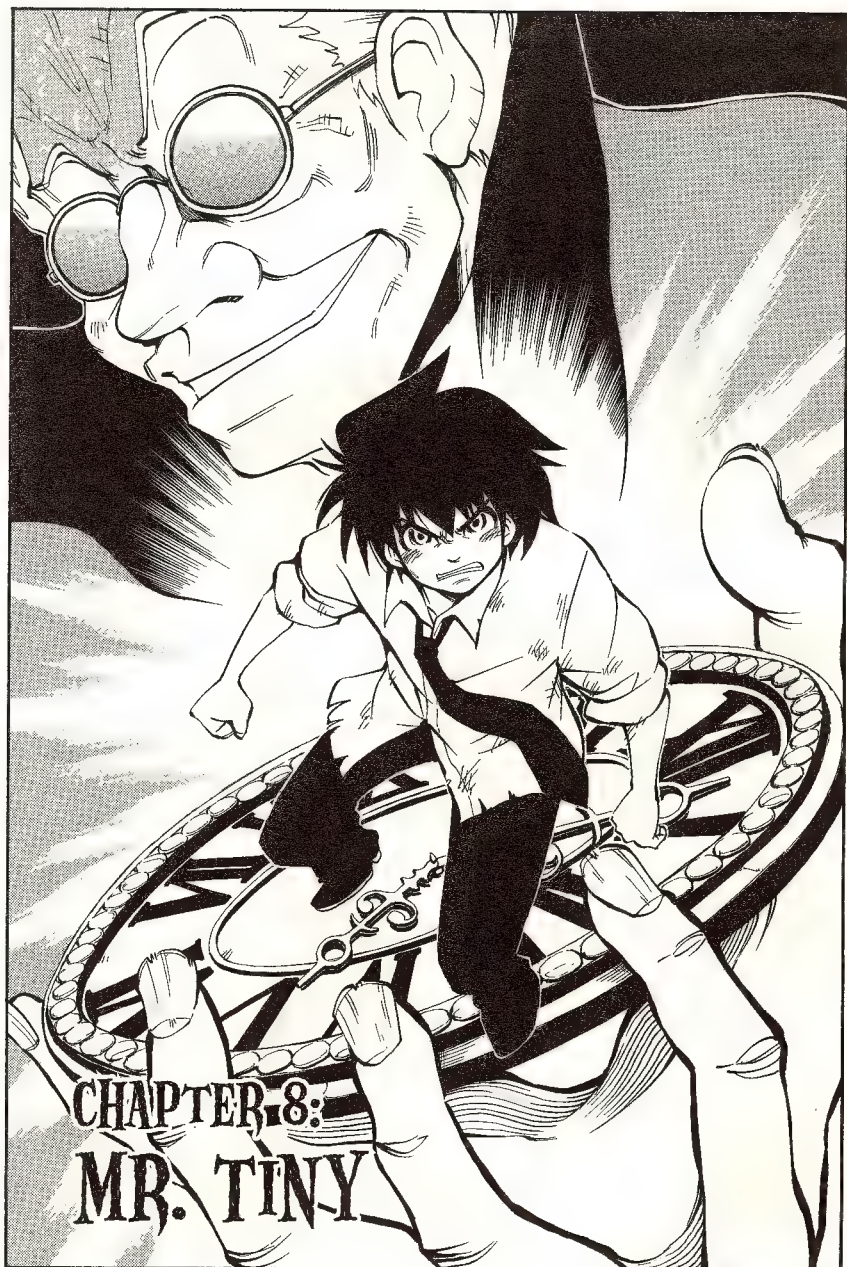
OTHERWISE
I WOULDN'T
HAVE MET
YOU OR
SAM OR—

I'M GLAD I
CAME BACK
TO JOIN THE
CIRQUE DU
FREAK!

BUT YOU
KNOW
WHAT,
EVRA?









EVEN MR. TALL GETS FIDGETY WHEN MR. TINY'S AROUND.

THE OTHER MEMBERS OF THE CIRQUE FEEL THE SAME WAY. NOBODY LIKES HIM.

MR. TINY IS THE SPOOKIEST MAN I'VE EVER MET.



...EVERY TIME HE LOOKS AT ME, I JUST GET SO TERRIFIED ...

IT'S HARD TO EXPLAIN, BUT...

SFX: GATA (TREMBLE) GATA

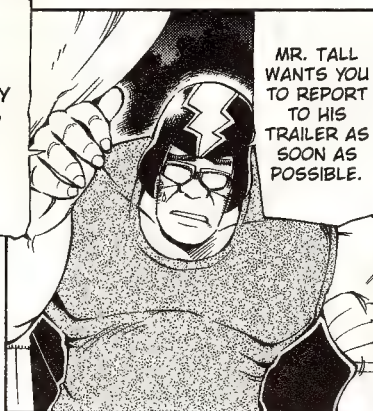


WHAT COULD HE WANT THIS TIME?

IT'S BEEN TWO YEARS SINCE I LAST SAW HIM.



SEEMS MR. TINY WANTS YOU TWO...



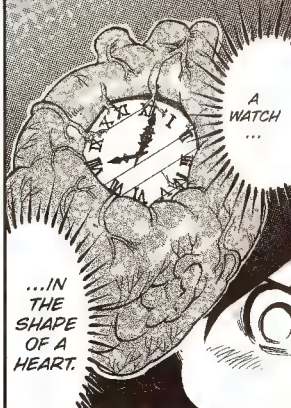
MR. TALL WANTS YOU TO REPORT TO HIS TRAILER AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.



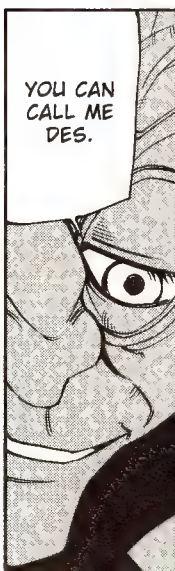
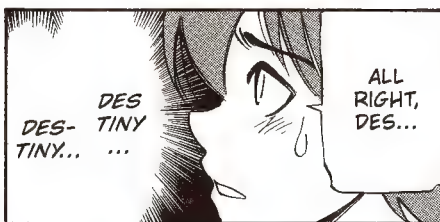
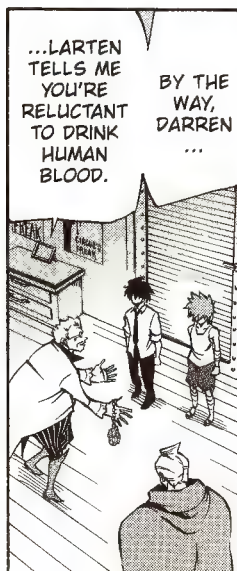
EVRA, DARREN ...

PASA (FLAP)





SFX: GASHI (SNATCH)



WHAT'S
WRONG
WITH
THAT?

APART
FROM
YOUNG
CHILDREN,
OF
COURSE.
THEIR
BLOOD
IS
SCRUMP-
DILLY-
ICIOUS!

I DON'T
BLAME
YOU.
NASTY,
REPUL-
SIVE
STUFF.

SO!?

IF THEY'RE
YOUNG
ENOUGH,
THEY COULD
DIE...

YOU CAN'T
DRINK
BLOOD
FROM
THEM.
THEY'RE
TOO
YOUNG.

ZAWA
(GSHH)

MAINLY
I WANT
YOU TO
FIND
FOOD
FOR
THEM.

I'D
APPRECIATE
IT IF YOU
WOULD
HELP ME
LOOK AFTER
THEM.

DOWN
TO
BUSI-
NESS!

BUT
ENOUGH
ABOUT
THAT!

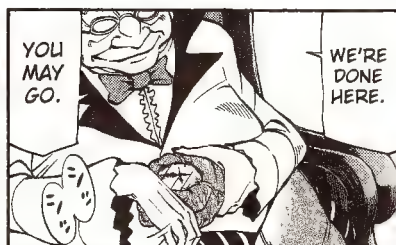
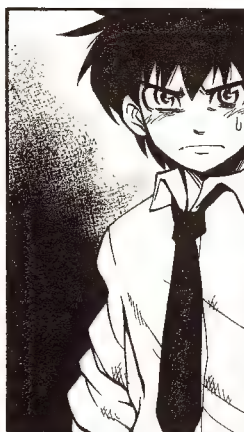
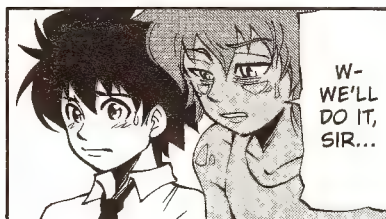
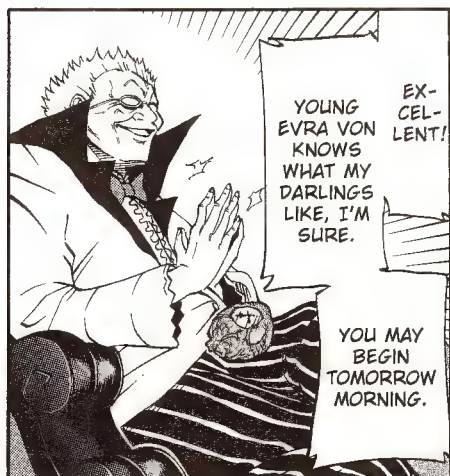
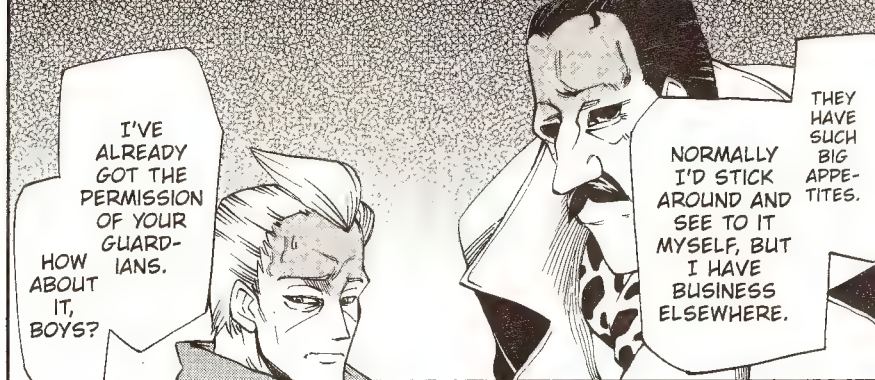
SFX: GISHI (CREAK)

MY
BLUE-
ROBED
MIN-
IONS.

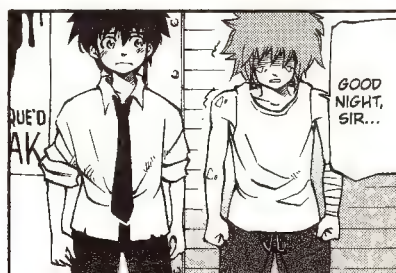
YOU
SAW ME
ARRIVE
WITH MY
LITTLE
PEOPLE.

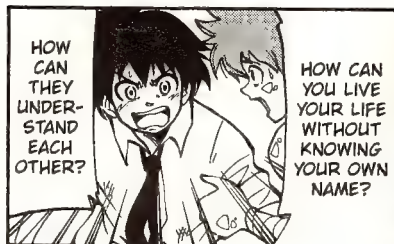
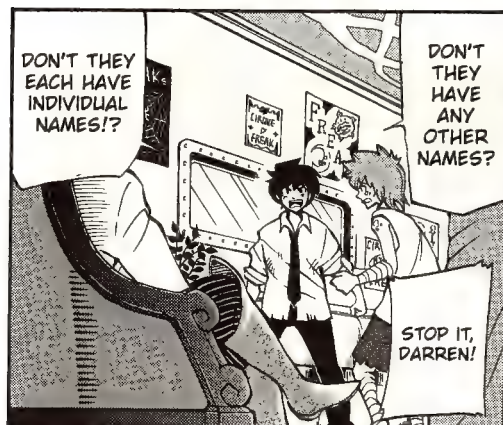
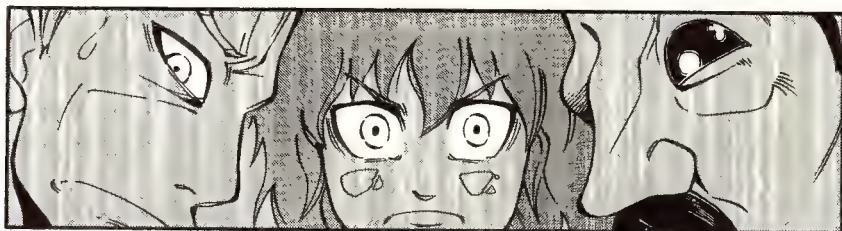
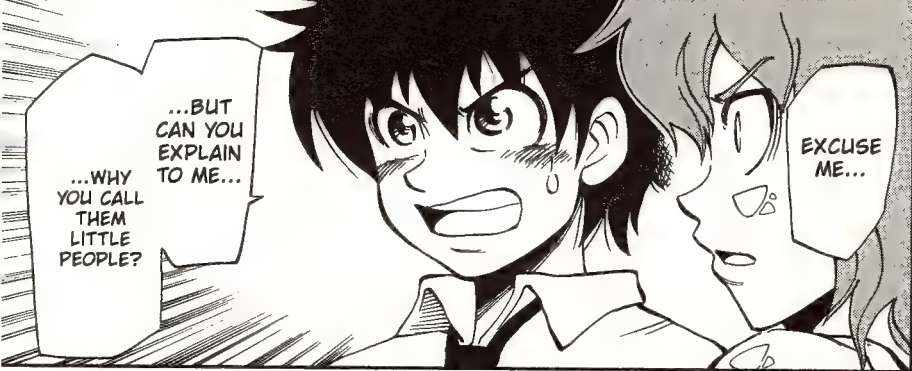
KYU
(CWIPE)

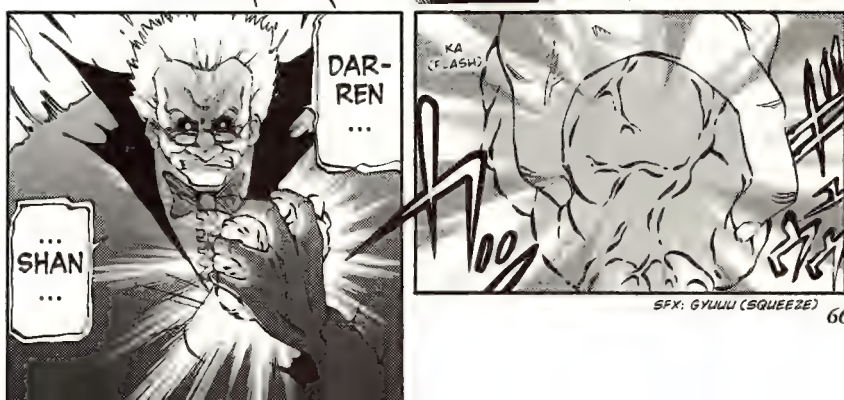
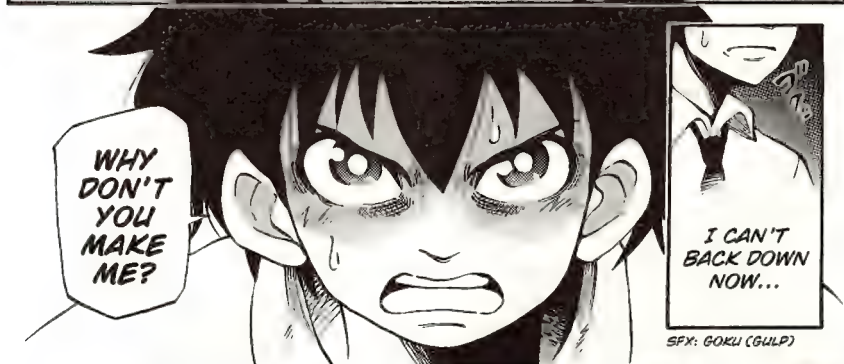
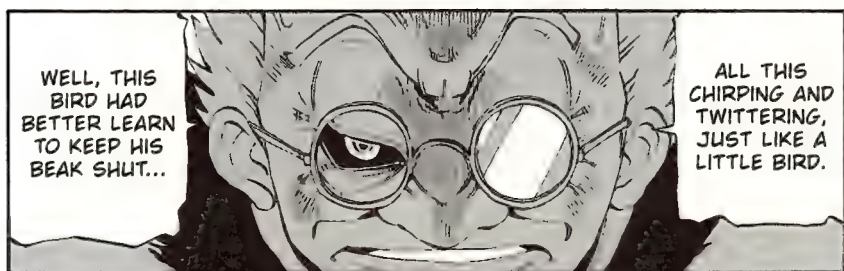
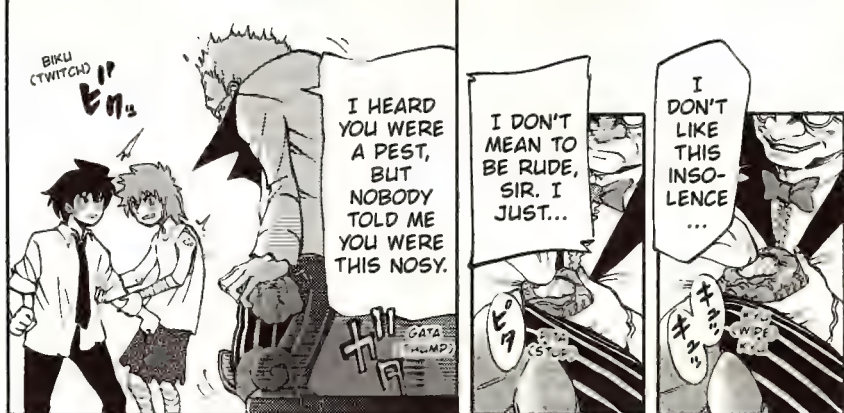
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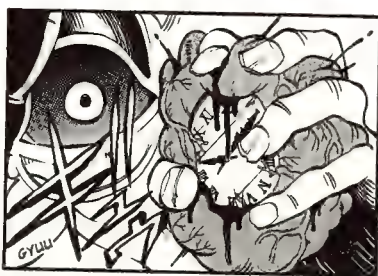


SFX: SHI (SHOO) SHI











PERHAPS
THE
THEATRE.
NO, THE
BRIDGE...

HAVE
WE MET
BEFORE?



COME
ON!

WAIT,
DARREN
SHAN!



YOU
COULD
USE
PLENTY
OF SLEEP
TONIGHT.

NO
STUDIES—
STRAIGHT
TO BED.



...THIS
IS OUR
FIRST
MEET-
ING,
SIR.

NO
...



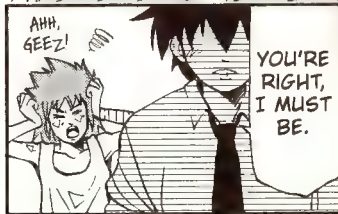
YOU MUST
BE OUT
OF YOUR
MIND!

ARE YOU
CRAZY?
TALKING
BACK TO
MR. TINY
LIKE THAT!



SOMETHING
BLACK AND
EVIL...

I FELT
SOMETHING
TRULY AWFUL
EMANATING
FROM THAT
MAN.



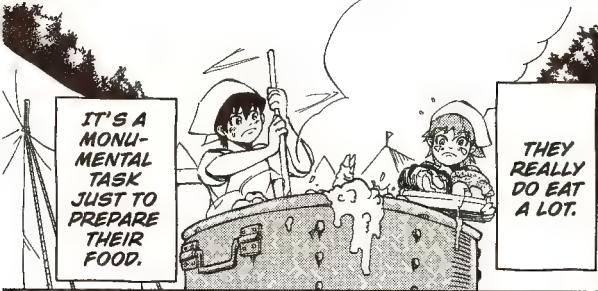
AHH,
GEEZ!

YOU'RE
RIGHT,
I MUST
BE.



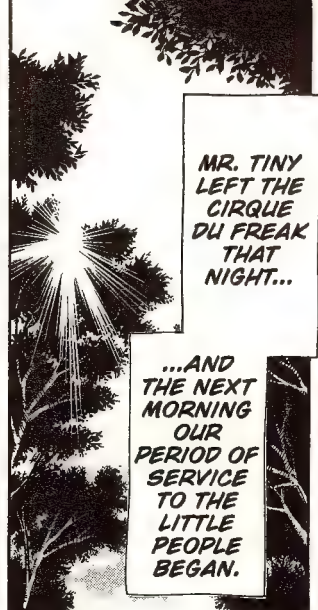
I HAD
THAT
FEEL-
ING.

BUT
I COULD
TELL THAT
YOU AND
EVERYONE
ELSE...
WERE
TERRIFIED.



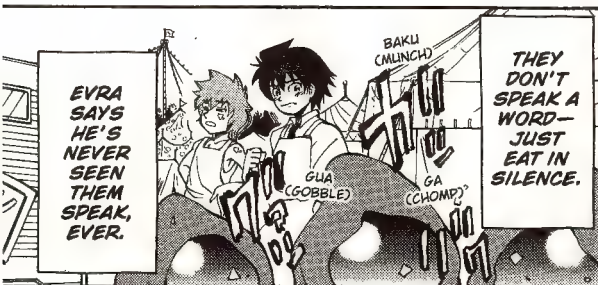
IT'S A MONU-
MENTAL
TASK
JUST TO
PREPARE
THEIR
FOOD.

THEY
REALLY
DO EAT
A LOT.



MR. TINY
LEFT THE
CIRQUE
DU FREAK
THAT
NIGHT...

...AND
THE NEXT
MORNING
OUR
PERIOD OF
SERVICE
TO THE
LITTLE
PEOPLE
BEGAN.



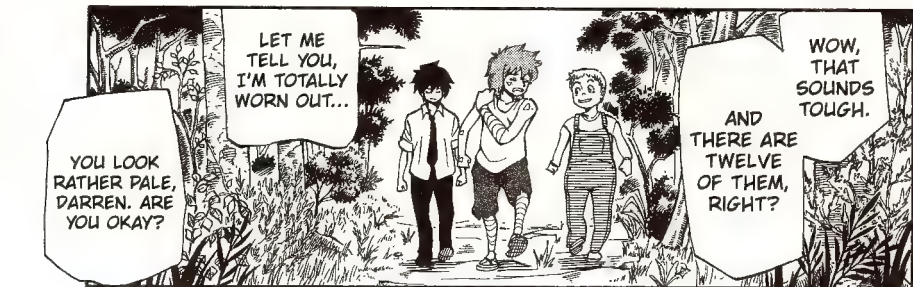
EVRA
SAYS
HE'S
NEVER
SEEN
THEM
SPEAK,
EVER.

THEY
DON'T
SPEAK A
WORD—
JUST
EAT IN
SILENCE.

BAKU
(MUNCH)

GLIA
(GOBBLE)

GA
(CHOMP)



LET ME
TELL YOU,
I'M TOTALLY
WORN OUT...

YOU LOOK
RATHER PALE,
DARREN. ARE
YOU OKAY?

WOW,
THAT
SOUNDS
TOUGH.

AND
THERE ARE
TWELVE
OF THEM,
RIGHT?



I DON'T
THINK
I CAN
LAST
MUCH
LONGER
ON
ANIMAL
BLOOD...

FURA...
(WHISPER)

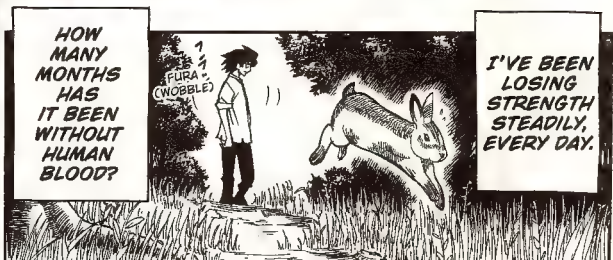


THAT
WAS A
LIE.

GRO
(GLARE)



I'M
FINE.
I'M
ALWAYS
LIKE
THIS.



HOW
MANY
MONTHS
HAS
IT BEEN
WITHOUT
HUMAN
BLOOD?

FURA...
(WHISPER)

I'VE BEEN
LOSING
STRENGTH
STEADILY,
EVERY DAY.

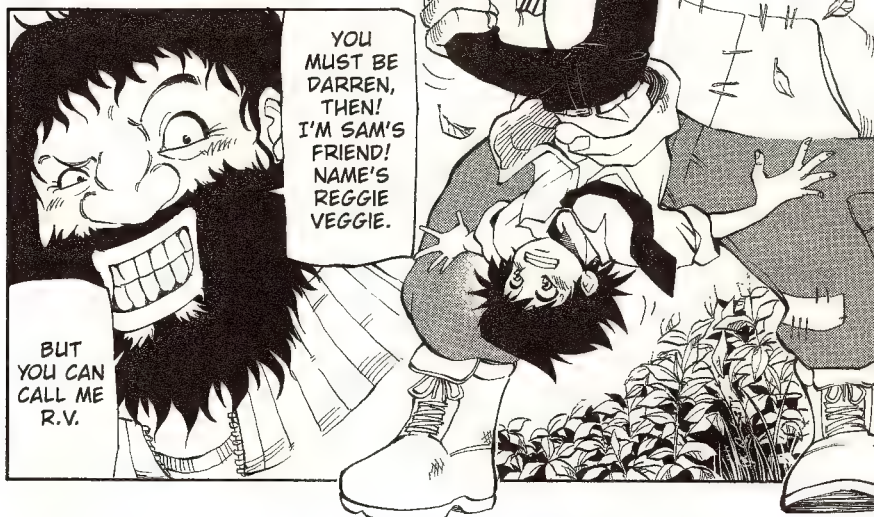


HE'S
HUGE!

WELL?
ARE YOU
SUR-
PRISED
!?

HA
HA
HA
HA!!

GOT
CHA!!



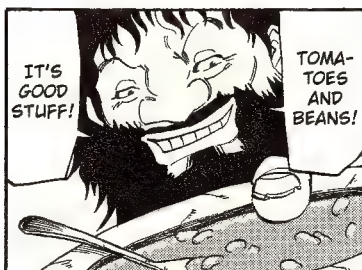
YOU
MUST BE
DARREN,
THEN!
I'M SAM'S
FRIEND!
NAME'S
REGGIE
VEGGIE.

BUT
YOU CAN
CALL ME
R.V.



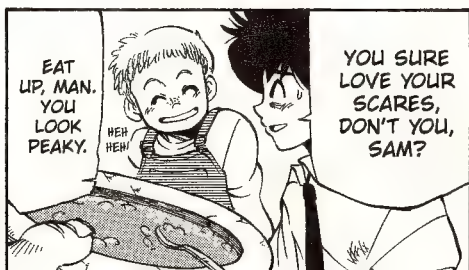
I TOLD
HIM TO
HIDE IN THE
BUSHES SO
HE COULD
SCARE YOU
GUYS!

I MET R.V.
ON THE
WAY OVER
HERE!



IT'S
GOOD
STUFF!

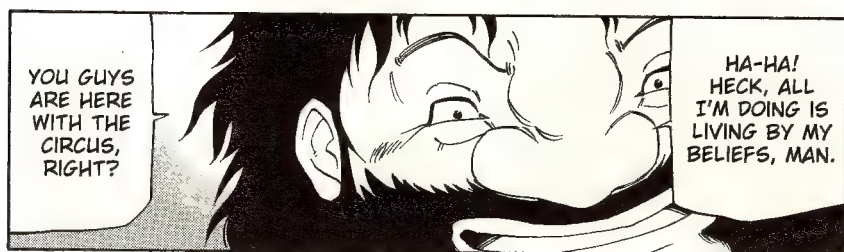
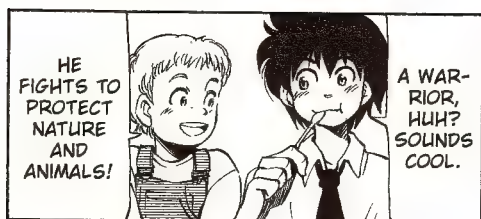
TOMA-
TOES
AND
BEANS!



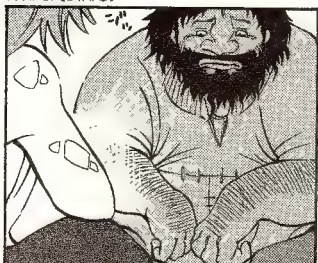
EAT
UP, MAN.
YOU
LOOK
PEAKY.

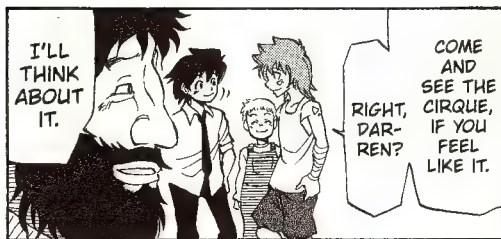
HEH
HEH!

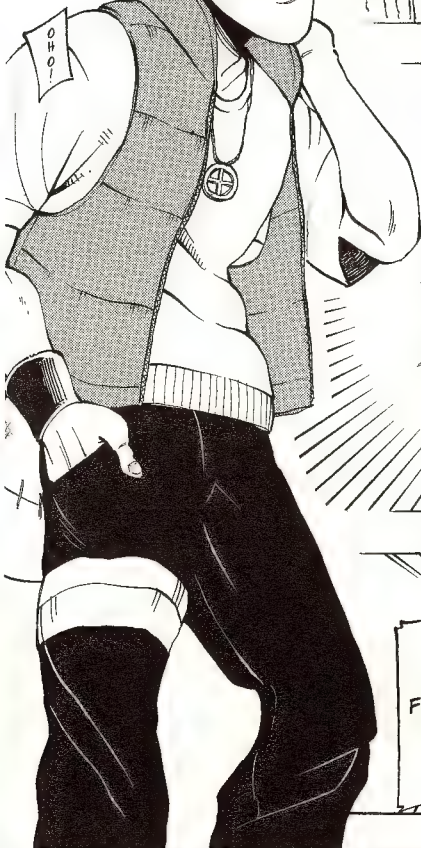
YOU SURE
LOVE YOUR
SCARES,
DON'T YOU,
SAM?



SFX: JI (STARE)







IT'S
LIMBS!
CORMAC
LIMBS IS
BACK!

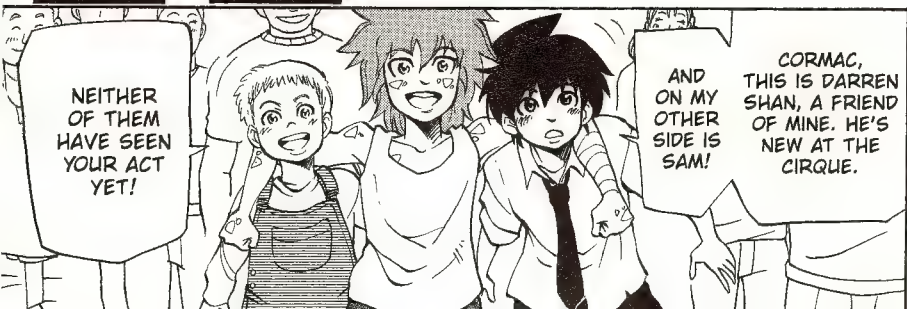
OH!

EXCUSE
US,
PEOPLE!

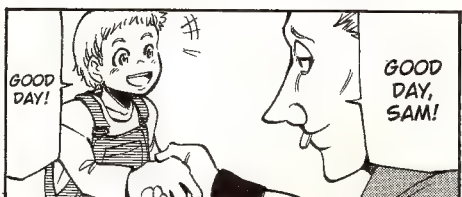
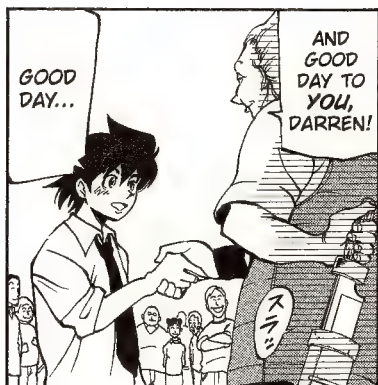
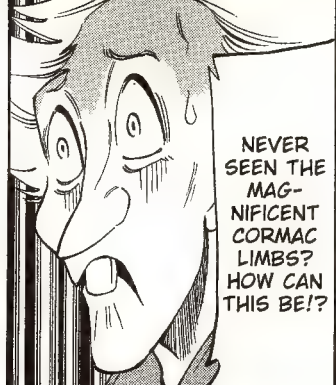
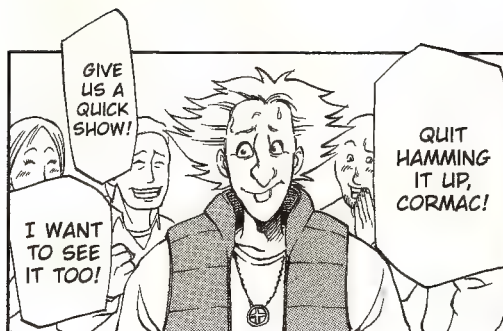
WHAT'S
GOING
ON?



HOW'S MY
FAVOURITE
TWO-
LEGGED
REPTILE?
EVRA
VON!

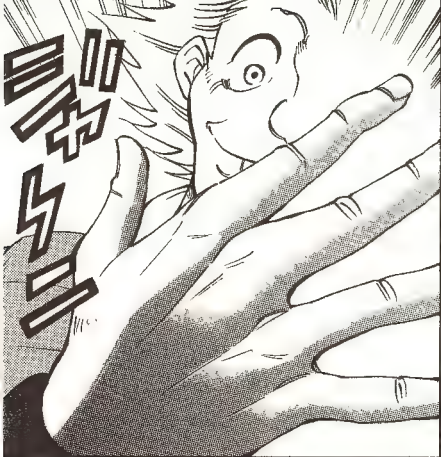


AND
ON MY
OTHER
SIDE IS
SAM!
CORMAC,
THIS IS DARREN
SHAN, A FRIEND
OF MINE. HE'S
NEW AT THE
CIRQUE.



SFX: SURA (SLIP)



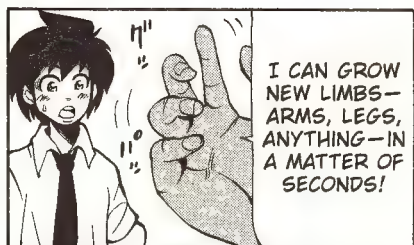


SFX: JAAAN (TA-DA)



WHO KNOWS WHAT COULD HAPPEN? WOULDN'T WANT TO TEMPT FATE.

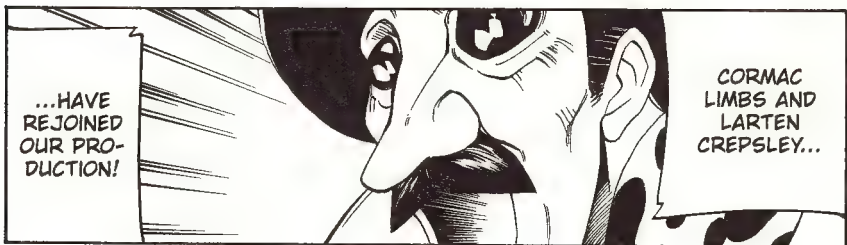
THE ONLY THING I HAVEN'T TRIED YET IS MY HEAD.

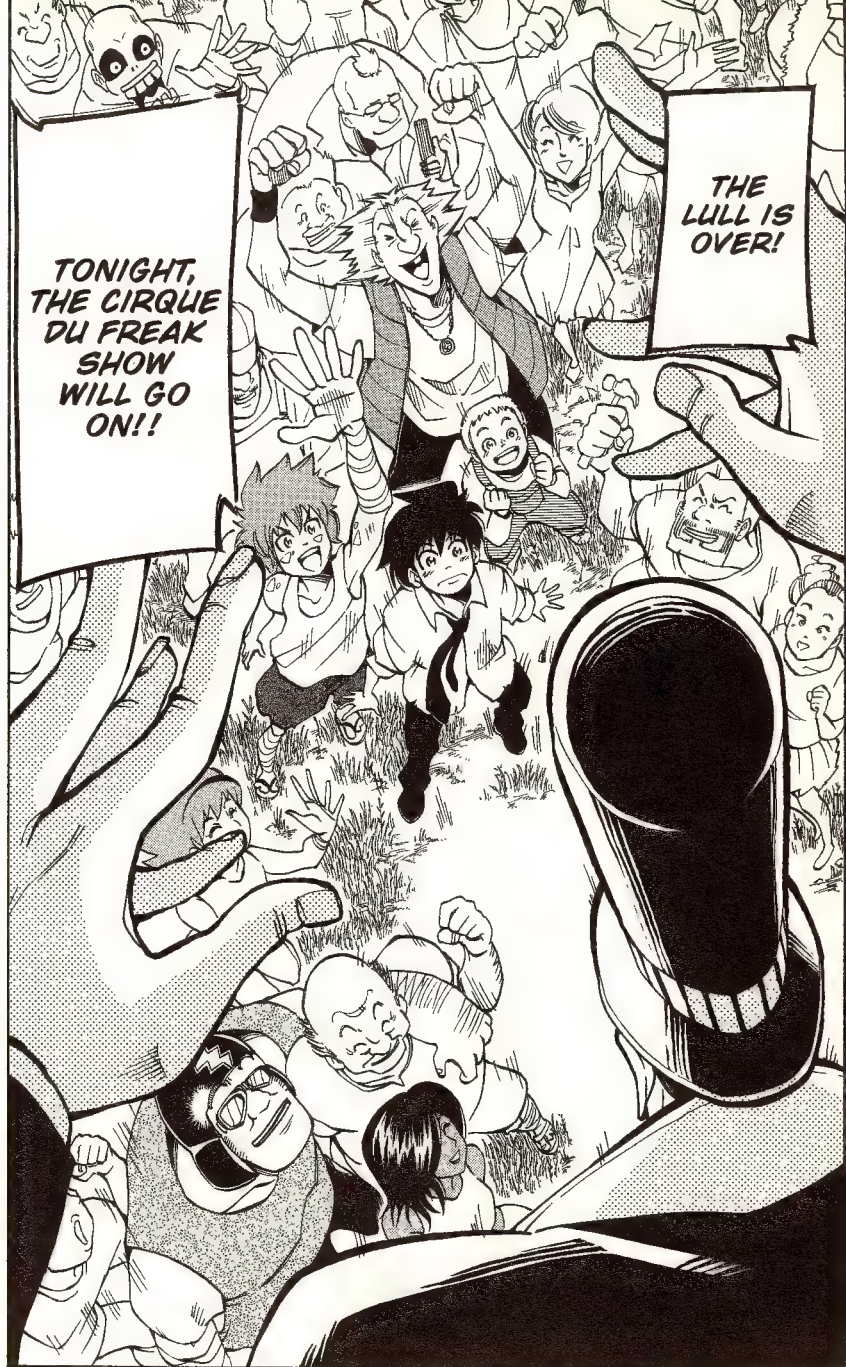


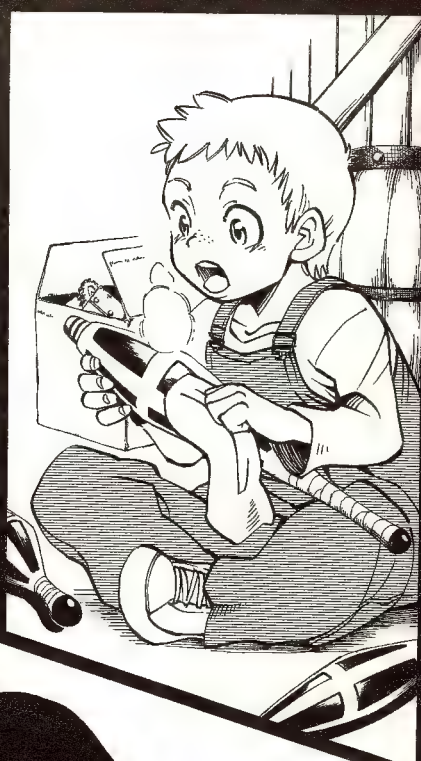
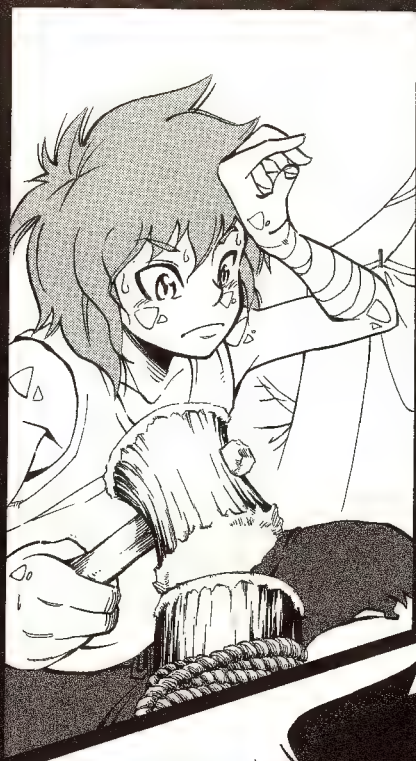
I CAN GROW NEW LIMBS— ARMS, LEGS, ANYTHING—IN A MATTER OF SECONDS!

SFX: GU (SQUEEZE)

SFX: PA (CLICK)







CHAPTER 9:
A TINY URGE TO KILL



GOOD!
THINGS ARE
LOOKING
SPICK-AND-
SPAN...

ALL
THAT'S
LEFT IS
FOR THE
GUESTS TO
ARRIVE.

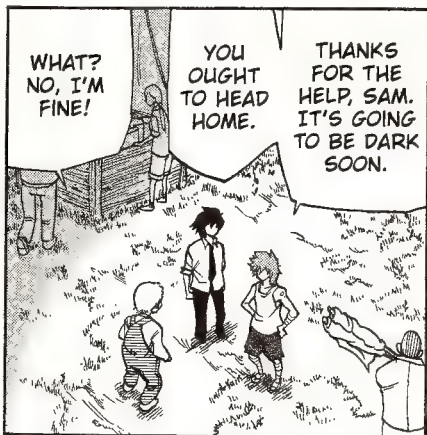
~MAX SCANS~



SAM!!

BUT ...

YOUR
FAMILY
WILL
WORRY,
WON'T THEY?



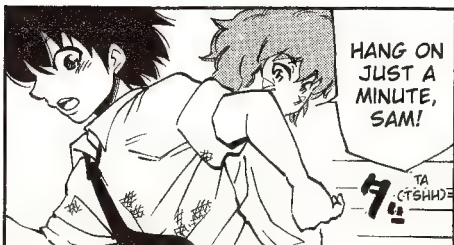
WHAT?
NO, I'M
FINE!

YOU
OUGHT
TO HEAD
HOME.

THANKS
FOR THE
HELP, SAM.
IT'S GOING
TO BE DARK
SOON.



MUSU
CHMPH



HANG ON
JUST A
MINUTE,
SAM!

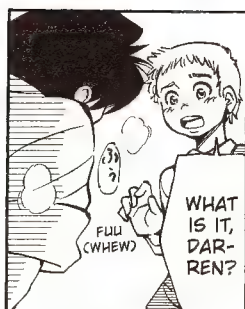
7 TA
(TSHH)



OH...

SHEESH!

GEEZ!



OKAY,
SAM!

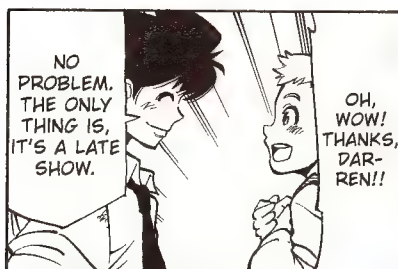
WHAT
IS IT,
DAR-
REN?



TAKE
THEM!

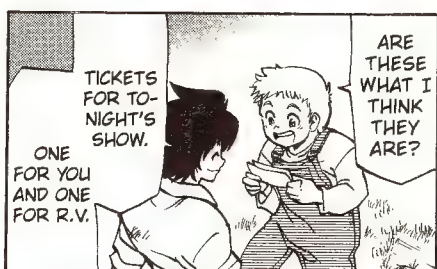
HERE!

TICKETS: CIRQUE DU FREAK



NO
PROBLEM.
THE ONLY
THING IS,
IT'S A LATE
SHOW.

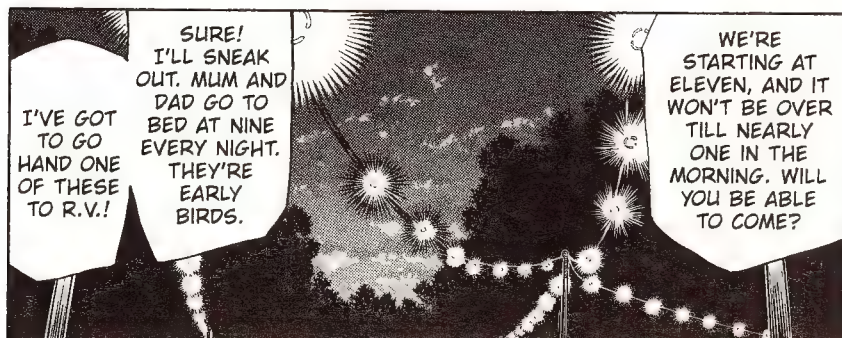
OH,
WOW!
THANKS,
DAR-
REN!!



TICKETS
FOR TO-
NIGHT'S
SHOW.

ONE
FOR YOU
AND ONE
FOR R.V.

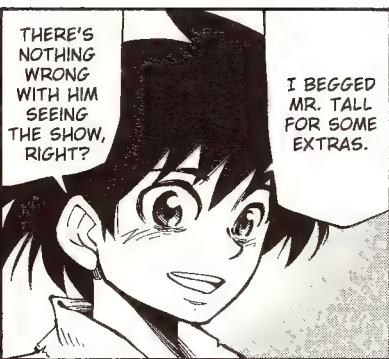
ARE
THESE
WHAT I
THINK
THEY
ARE?



I'VE GOT
TO GO
HAND ONE
OF THESE
TO R.V.!

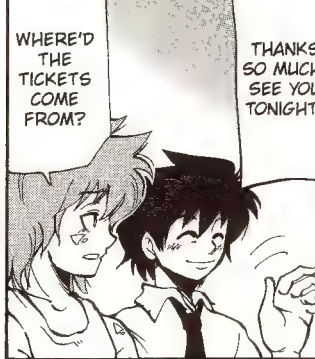
SURE!
I'LL SNEAK
OUT. MUM AND
DAD GO TO
BED AT NINE
EVERY NIGHT.
THEY'RE
EARLY
BIRDS.

WE'RE
STARTING AT
ELEVEN, AND IT
WON'T BE OVER
TILL NEARLY
ONE IN THE
MORNING. WILL
YOU BE ABLE
TO COME?



THERE'S
NOTHING
WRONG
WITH HIM
SEEING
THE SHOW,
RIGHT?

I BEGGED
MR. TALL
FOR SOME
EXTRAS.



WHERE'D
THE
TICKETS
COME
FROM?

THANKS
SO MUCH
SEE YOU
TONIGHT



...HE
JUST
CAN'T BE
HONEST,
CAN HE?

HMM...

...AND I
WOULD
LIKE HIM
TO SEE MY
SHOW. BUT
STILL...

I GUESS
NOT. HE
WORKED
PRETTY
HARD
FOR US
TODAY...



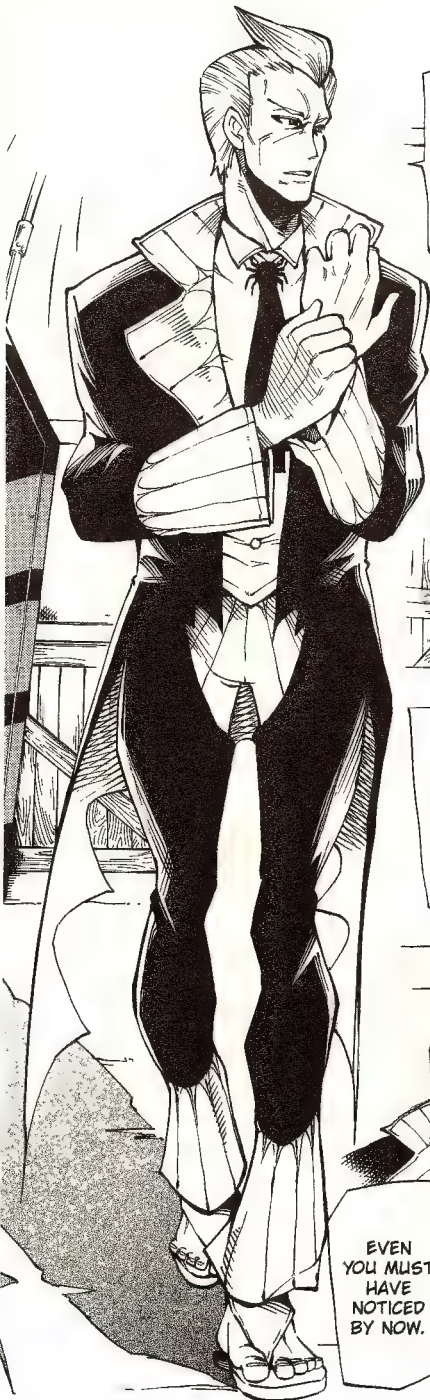
THEN
BRUSH
YOUR
SUIT
DOWN
AND
CLEAN
YOUR-
SELF
UP.

POLISH
MADAM
OCTA'S
CAGE.

BASA
(FLAP)



COME
WITH ME,
DARREN.



YOU ARE
GOING ON
WITH ME.

WHY?

YOU CAN
PLAY THE
FLUTE WHEN
IT IS MADAM
OCTA'S TIME
TO SPIN A
WEB OVER
MY MOUTH.

PASA
(FLUP)

YOU
MEAN
I'M
PART
OF THE
ACT!?

YOU LOOK
DREADFUL AND
YOUR CLOTHES
ARE TATTERED,
BUT YOU WILL
HAVE TO DO...

WE ARE
LOW
ON HELP
AT THE
MOMENT.

THIS IS
WHAT
HAPPENS
WHEN YOU
AVOID
HUMAN
BLOOD...

EVEN
YOU MUST
HAVE
NOTICED
BY NOW.

HE'S
RIGHT
...

GESO
(GLUMMA)

BORO
(THWUB)

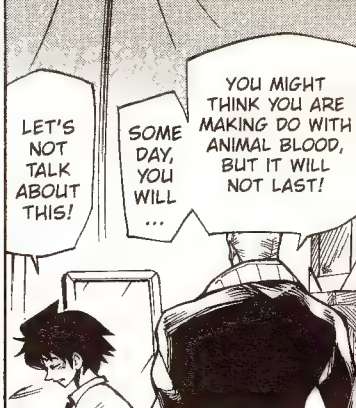


I
KNOW
THAT
...



I
KNOW
THAT!

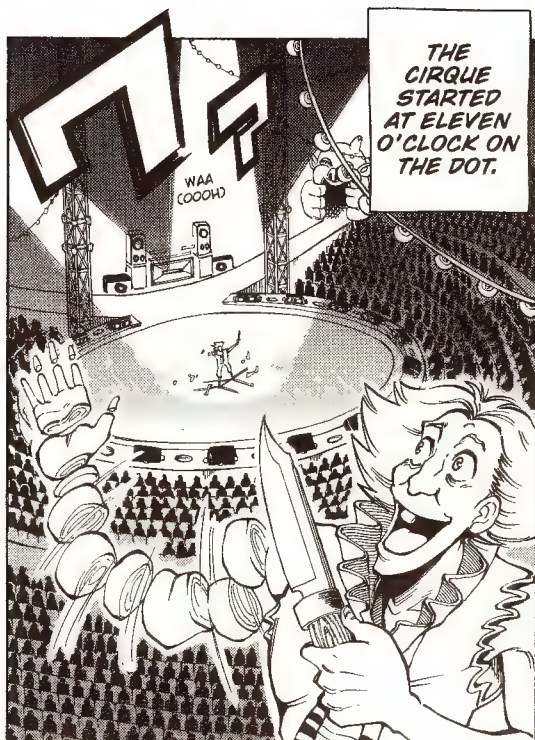
I AM
SPEAKING
FOR YOUR
OWN SAKE,
DARREN...



LET'S
NOT
TALK
ABOUT
THIS!

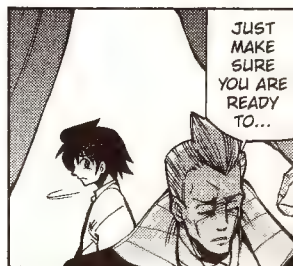
SOME
DAY,
YOU
WILL
...

YOU MIGHT
THINK YOU ARE
MAKING DO WITH
ANIMAL BLOOD,
BUT IT WILL
NOT LAST!



THE
CIRQUE
STARTED
AT ELEVEN
O'CLOCK ON
THE DOT.

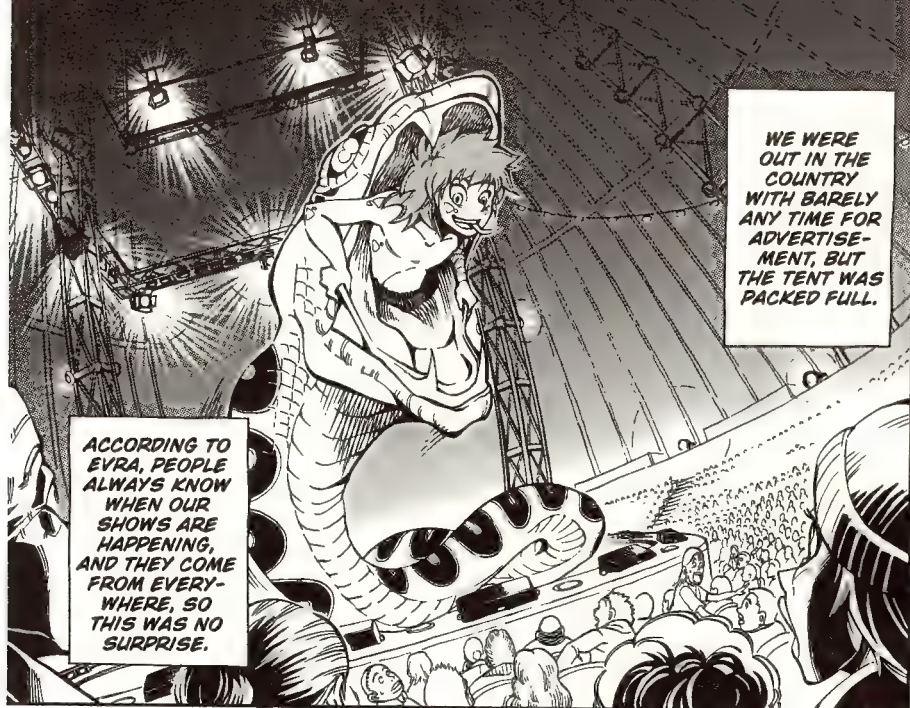
WAA
(OOOH)



JUST
MAKE
SURE
YOU ARE
READY
TO...

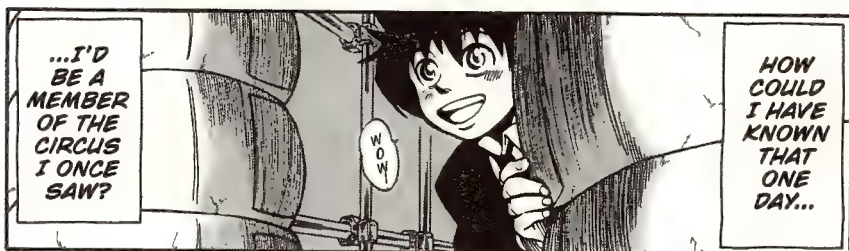


NO,
NEVER
MIND...



WE WERE
OUT IN THE
COUNTRY
WITH BARELY
ANY TIME FOR
ADVERTISE-
MENT, BUT
THE TENT WAS
PACKED FULL.

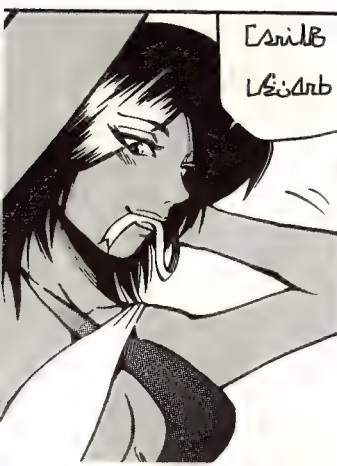
ACCORDING TO
EVRA, PEOPLE
ALWAYS KNOW
WHEN OUR
SHOWS ARE
HAPPENING,
AND THEY COME
FROM EVERY-
WHERE, SO
THIS WAS NO
SURPRISE.



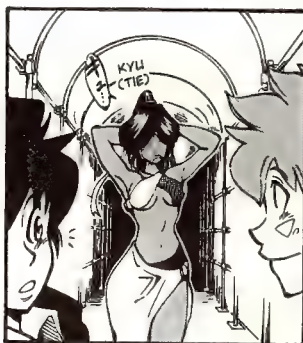
...I'D
BE A
MEMBER
OF THE
CIRCUS
I ONCE
SAW?

WOW

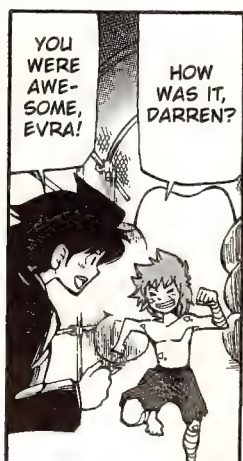
HOW
COULD
I HAVE
KNOWN
THAT
ONE
DAY...



Evra
Liz

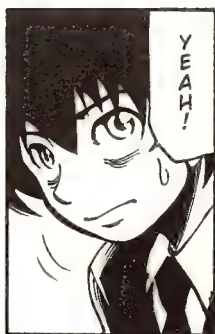


KYL
(TIE)



YOU
WERE
AWESOME,
EVRA!

HOW
WAS IT,
DARREN?



YEAH!



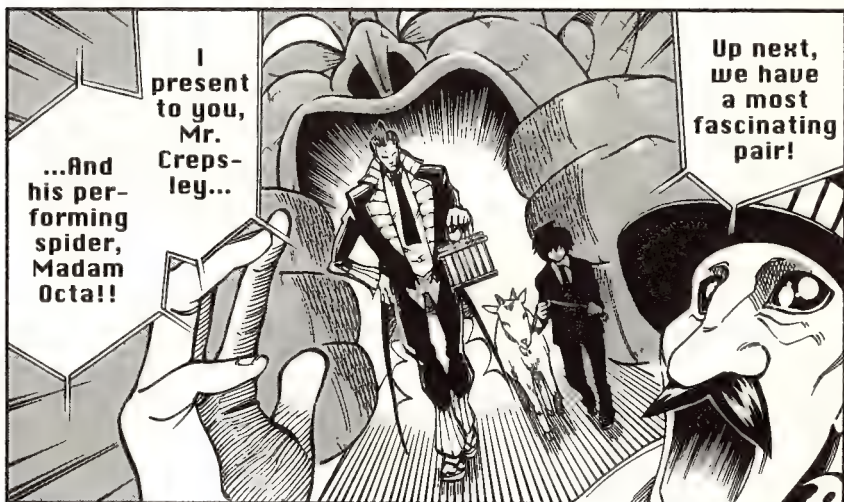
IS EVERYTHING READY?

WE ARE UP NEXT.



DOKI (BA-BUMP) DOKI

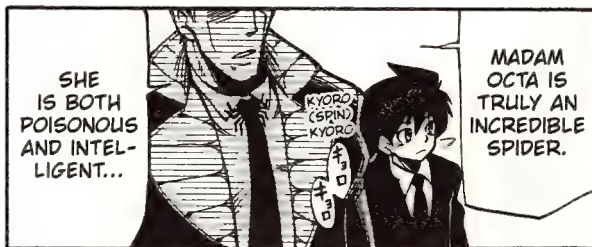
SHE SAYS HANG IN THERE!
DON'T LET YOUR NERVES GET TO YOU!



I present to you, Mr. Crepsley...

...And his performing spider, Madam Octa!!

Up next, we have a most fascinating pair!



SHE IS BOTH POISONOUS AND INTELLIGENT...

KYORO (SPIN) KYORO

MADAM OCTA IS TRULY AN INCREDIBLE SPIDER.



AHA!



IT'S SO BRIGHT!

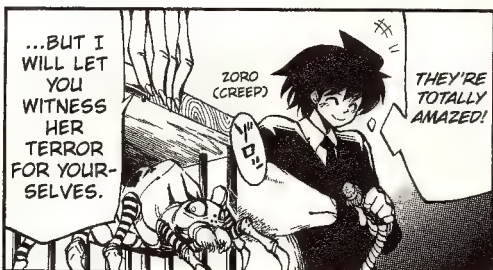


BA
(CLEAP)



R.V.!

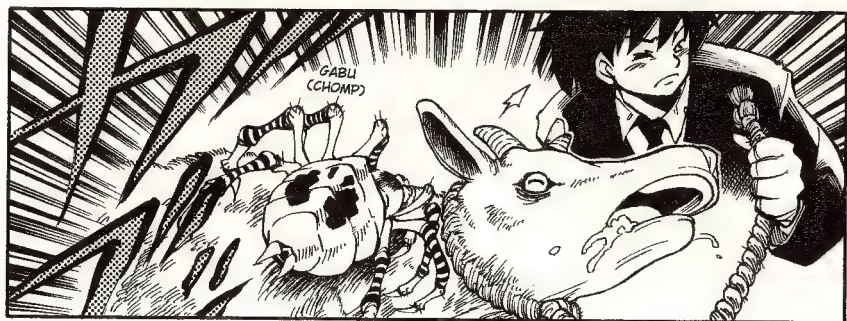
SAM!



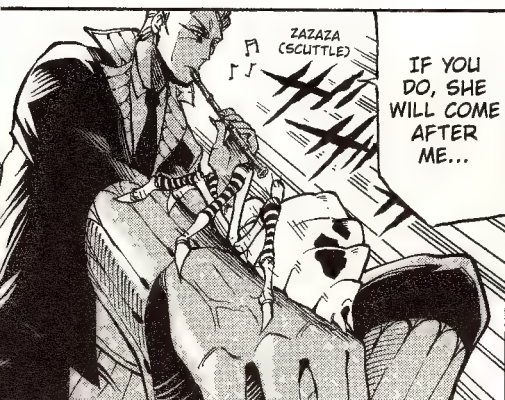
...BUT I
WILL LET
YOU
WITNESS
HER
TERROR
FOR YOUR-
SELVES.

ZORO
(CREEP)

THEY'RE
TOTALLY
AMAZED!



GABU
(CHOMP)



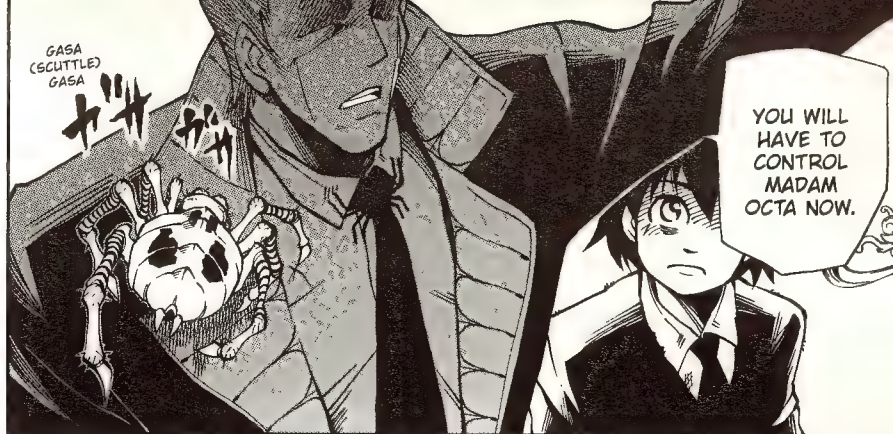
ZAZAZA
(SCUTTLE)

IF YOU
DO, SHE
WILL COME
AFTER
ME...



BE CAREFUL
NOT TO MAKE
ANY LOUD
NOISES.

OF COURSE,
A HUMAN
BEING
WOULD NOT
LAST AN
INSTANT.

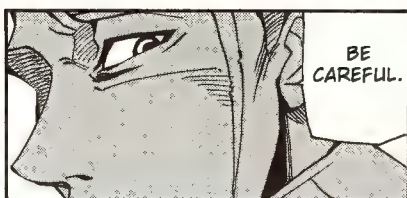


GASA
(SCUTTLE)
GASA

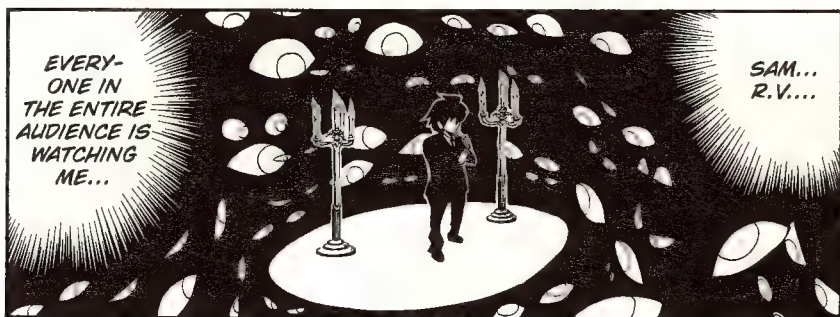
YOU WILL
HAVE TO
CONTROL
MADAM
OCTA NOW.



NOW I'M
REALLY
FEELING
NERVOUS
...

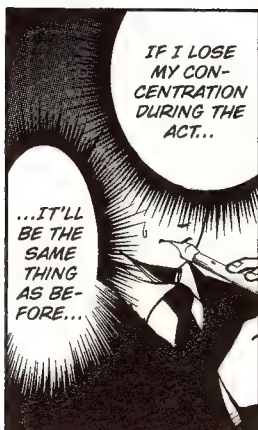


BE
CAREFUL.



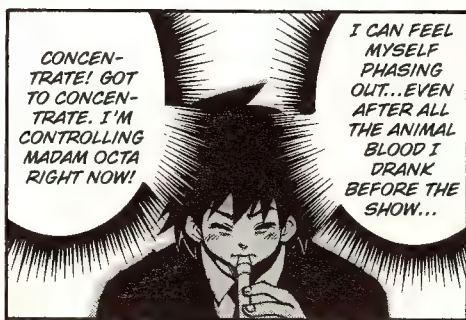
EVERY-
ONE IN
THE ENTIRE
AUDIENCE IS
WATCHING
ME...

SAM...
R.V....



IF I LOSE
MY CON-
CENTRATION
DURING THE
ACT...

...IT'LL
BE THE
SAME
THING
AS BE-
FORE...



CONCEN-
TRATE! GOT
TO CONCEN-
TRATE. I'M
CONTROLLING
MADAM OCTA
RIGHT NOW!

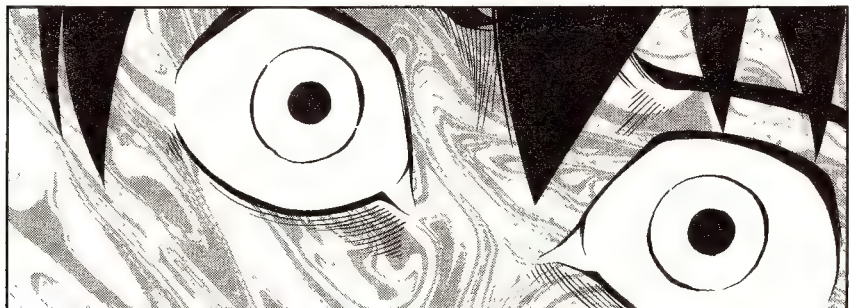
I CAN FEEL
MYSELF
PHASING
OUT...EVEN
AFTER ALL
THE ANIMAL
BLOOD I
DRANK
BEFORE THE
SHOW...

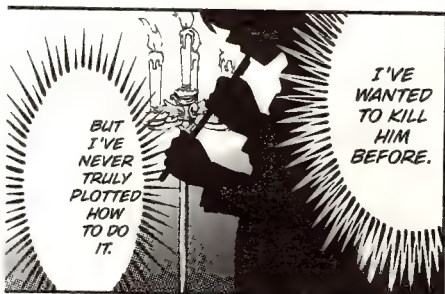
SFX: KURA (SWOON)



THAT SAME
NIGHTMARE
ALL OVER
AGAIN!







BUT
I'VE
NEVER
TRULY
PLOTTED
HOW
TO
DO
IT.

I'VE
WANTED
TO
KILL
HIM
BEFORE.



JUST
"KILL MR.
CREPSLEY"

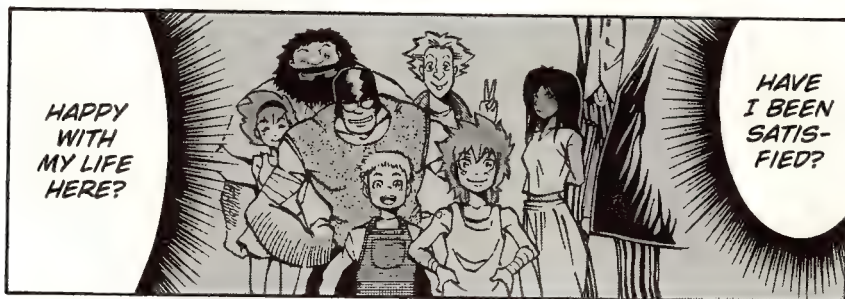
...

IT WOULD
JUST BE
ONE LITTLE
COMMAND
TO MADAM
OCTA.

KARI
(SCRAPE)

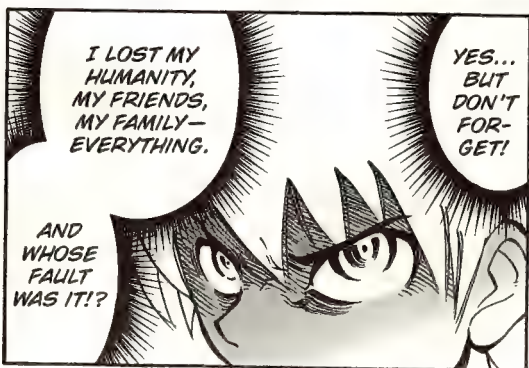
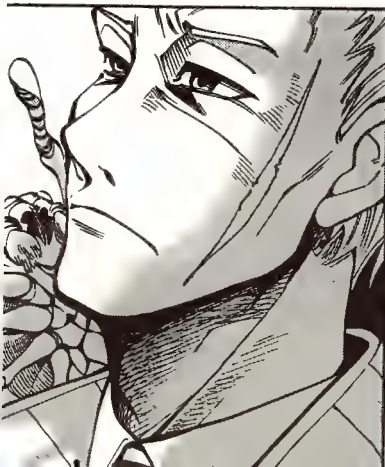


ESPECIALLY
NOT SINCE WE
CAME BACK
HERE TO THE
CIRQUE DU
FREAK...



HAPPY
WITH
MY LIFE
HERE?

HAVE
I BEEN
SATIS-
FIED?



I LOST MY
HUMANITY,
MY FRIENDS,
MY FAMILY—
EVERYTHING.

AND
WHOSE
FAULT
WAS IT?!

YES...
BUT
DON'T
FOR-
GET!

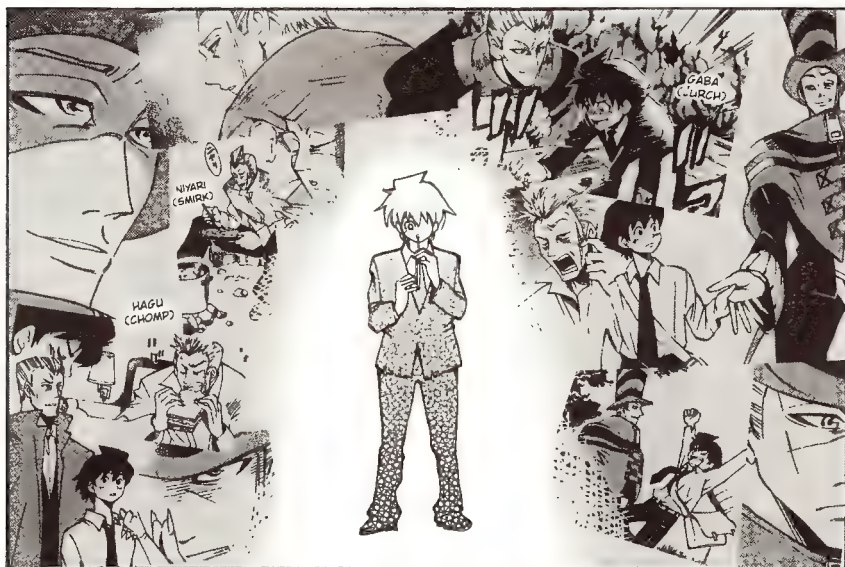


DO IT!
THIS IS IT,
DARREN!

NOW'S
YOUR—

NOT
EVEN MR.
CREPSLEY
COULD
DEFEND
HIMSELF
AGAINST
HER NOW!

IF
THERE'S
ANY
MOMENT
TO DO
IT, IT'S
NOW.

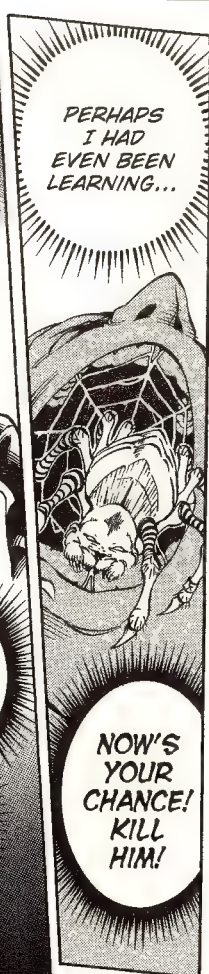


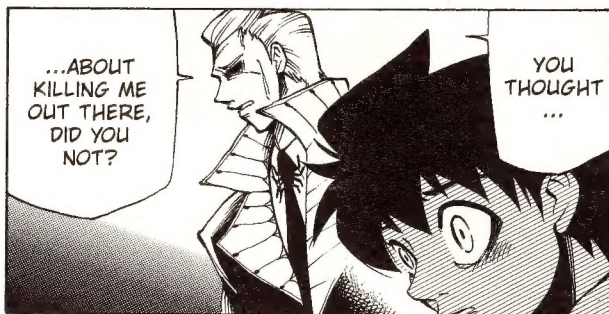
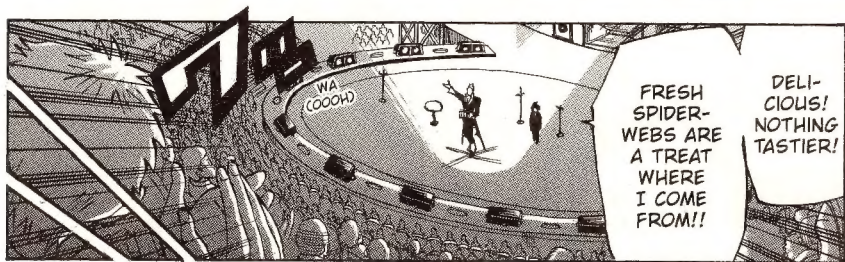
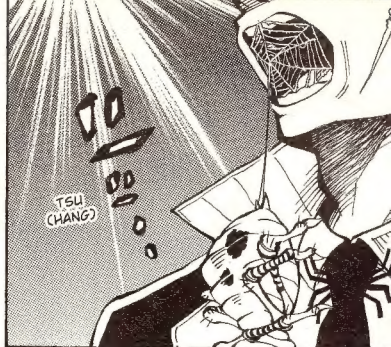
WHY
WOULD
I—?

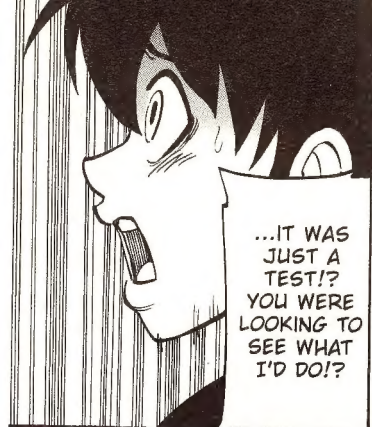
HE'S EVEN
DONE HIS
BEST TO
BE NICE TO
ME...IN HIS
OWN WAY.

...BUT
THE ONLY
REASON I'M
ON STAGE NOW
IS BECAUSE
OF MR.
CREPSLEY.

AND THE
REASON I
MET EVRA
AND SAM
TOO...







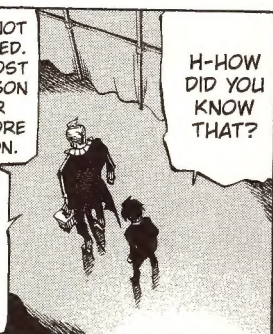
...IT WAS
JUST A
TEST!?
YOU WERE
LOOKING TO
SEE WHAT
I'D DO!?



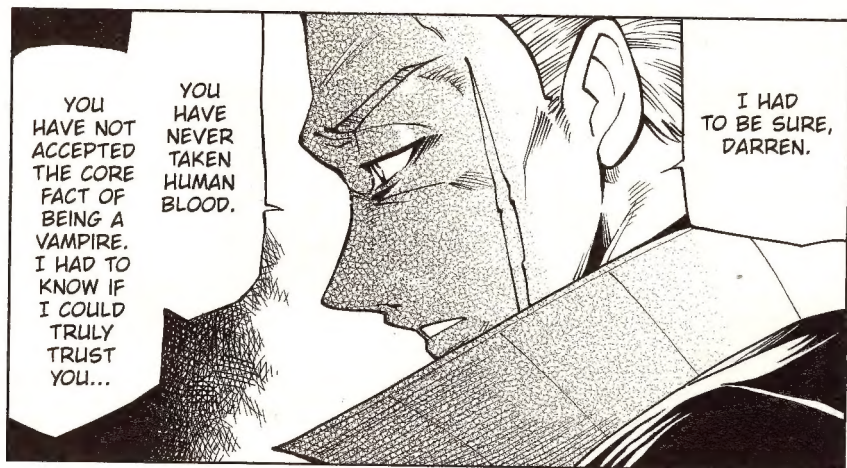
THEN
...

IT WOULD NOT
HAVE WORKED.
I MILKED MOST
OF THE POISON
FROM HER
FANGS BEFORE
WE WENT ON.

KILLING
THE GOAT
TOOK THE
REST OUT
OF HER.



H-HOW
DID YOU
KNOW
THAT?



YOU
HAVE NOT
ACCEPTED
THE CORE
FACT OF
BEING A
VAMPIRE.
I HAD TO
KNOW IF
I COULD
TRULY
TRUST
YOU...

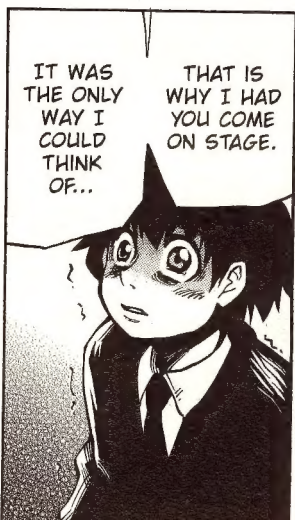
YOU
HAVE
NEVER
TAKEN
HUMAN
BLOOD.

I HAD
TO BE SURE,
DARREN.



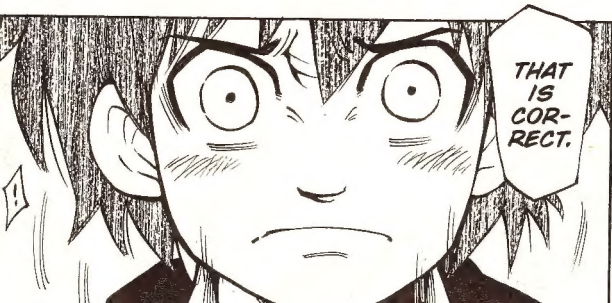
...AND ALL
THIS TIME,
IT WAS
JUST
A TEST...
NOTHING
MORE...

I THOUGHT
YOU WERE
BEING NICE
TO ME...



IT WAS
THE ONLY
WAY I
COULD
THINK
OF...

THAT IS
WHY I HAD
YOU COME
ON STAGE.



THAT
IS
COR-
RECT.

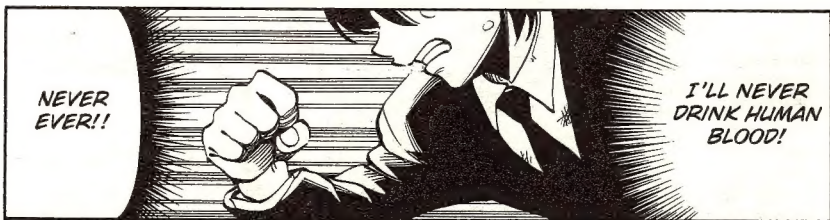


...MR. CREPS-LEY? WHAT'S WRONG WITH DARREN ...



GOOD JOB ON YOUR FIRST...

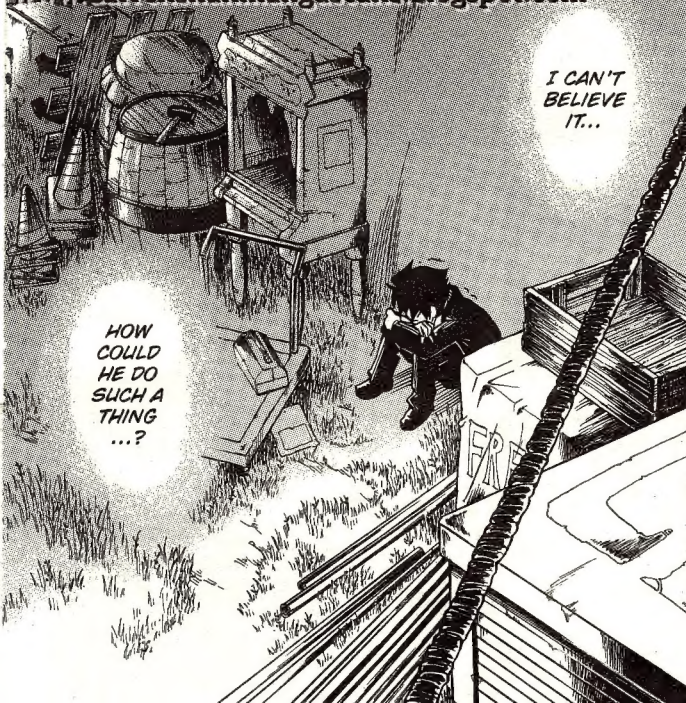
HEY, DARREN!



NEVER EVER!!

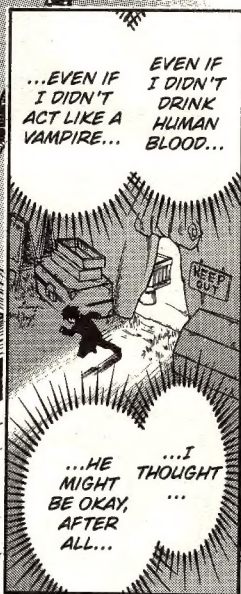
I'LL NEVER DRINK HUMAN BLOOD!

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I CAN'T BELIEVE IT...

HOW COULD HE DO SUCH A THING ...?



...EVEN IF I DIDN'T ACT LIKE A VAMPIRE...

EVEN IF I DIDN'T DRINK HUMAN BLOOD...

...HE MIGHT BE OKAY, AFTER ALL...

...I THOUGHT ...

AFTERWORDS



This manga is based off of an english novel series known as "The Saga of Darren Shan", by, yours truly, Darren Shan! So if you haven't read the novels yet, go read them now!

This novel has been translated into Japanese, and then made into a Japanese manga. Now we're translating it back into English, so there will be some translations lost in between. I'm trying my best to keep this as true to the original English novel as possible. The manga doesn't follow the novel exactly, so please excuse me if there are variations and mistake. I'm just a petty fan trying to share this with fellow vampire lovers- I hope you enjoyed it as much as I did!

Fellow DS Fan,
~Tsubasa~

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entirely to Master Darren
O'Shaughnessey.
~bows~
All Hail the Master
O'Shaughnessey~

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